

# MC Oversubscribes \$3 Million Drive

One of the most far reaching capital funds programs ever attempted by a private college in the state has ended a success as Mississippi College officials announced at Homecoming last Saturday that the \$3 million Commitment Campaign had oversubscribed its goal by some \$936,000.

Dr. Lewis Nobles, president of the college, and Rowan Taylor of Jackson, general chairman of the campaign, provided alumni something to cheer about when they announced that 626 individuals or firms had pledged or contributed a total of \$3,936,066.31 to the effort.

"This was one of the most comprehensive fund drives I have ever participated in," said an elated Taylor, "and a lot of credit has to go to a lot of people who helped us go over the top in such great fashion." Taylor surrounded himself during the campaign with some of the state's top civic and business leaders who were either friends or alumni of the college.

The \$3,936,066.31 total is by far the largest amount ever raised in a fund raising effort by Mississippi College, the state's largest private senior college.

The Commitment Campaign was initiated in late January, 1972, with its goal being to provide an addition to the Leland Speed Library and a Learning Resources Center, to provide a building for the School of Nursing and the Department of Home Economics, and to finance a multi-purpose building that would be used in intercollegiate athletics and assembly meetings.

Even before the success of the campaign was announced, the college be-

## James V. Lackey Resigns Stewardship Commission Post

NASHVILLE (BP) — James V. Lackey, executive director - treasurer of the Southern Baptist Stewardship Commission since 1971, has resigned.

The Stewardship Commission's executive committee, which met here to consider the resignation, announced "regretful acceptance." They also designated Michael L. Speer, associate executive director - treasurer, as acting executive director - treasurer while they seek a replacement.

Paul Cates of Lubbock, Tex., executive committee chairman, stressed that there was "no moral or legal involvement" in the decision but that Lackey, who joined the commission in 1962, "simply felt that this was the Lord's will for him at this time."

Lackey explained, "For some time I have felt mentally and physically drained and in fairness to the Stewardship Commission, whose work and ministry I believe in and support, and in the interest of my family and for my own well-being I felt it best to resign."

"It was a difficult decision to make, especially after having been in denominational work for more than 20 years, including 11 enjoyable years with the Stewardship Commission," Lackey said. "Yet I believe God will bring good to all concerned from my decision. I am in no hurry to announce specific future plans until I have had time to rest."

Lackey, 44, a native Oklahoman, spent more than nine years as superintendent of young people's work in the Sunday school department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board before joining the Stewardship Commission as director of stewardship development.

Before that Lackey, son of T. B. Lackey, former executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, served churches in Oklahoma and Texas as educational director.

He is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, and holds master and doctor of religious education degrees from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth.

gan construction on the Leland Speed Library addition. Concrete work on the basement floor is nearing completion and steel beams have already been unloaded on the site.

The library addition will be a wing to the north of the present building and will approximately double the floor space now available. To serve all departments and division of the college, the library expansion will permit the college to continue to add 5,000 or more volumes per year and to seat one - fourth of the student body as required by the Southern Association standards.

No dates for construction activity on the other two buildings planned through the COMMITMENT effort have been announced.

Now in its 148th year of operation, Mississippi College has shown a steady increase in students over the past decade with the enrollment total for the current semester being 2,436. New programs, both on the undergraduate and graduate levels have been instituted in recent years to meet the demands of the public.

Working with Taylor as the Executive Committee in the campaign were some of the state's most experienced men in the area of fund raising. They included James B. Campbell, J. Herman Hines, R. Ben Lampton, Julian L. Clark, John Mobley, Leland R. Speed, Ken Toler, Leslie B. Lampton, Nick Walker, Yandell Wideman, Russ M. Johnson, Tom M. Hederman, Jr., and R. Baxter Wilson, all of Jackson; Ed McDonald and Howard E. Woods, Clinton; Roy Noble Lee, Forest; W. D. Lofton, Brookhaven; Joe Dale, Prentiss; and Aven Whittington, Greenwood.

Shelton Hand, Jr., director of development at Mississippi College, served as campaign coordinator. The Audit Committee was composed of Grover McDonald, Clinton, and Bob Swittenberg, Jackson.

## Series Sunday School Meets Set

A series of Pastor-Director Area Meetings will be held in the state Nov. 5-9, according to Rev. Bryant M. Cummings, director of the Sunday School Department, sponsor.

Conferences will be held in the mornings from 10:00-12:00 and the meal at 12:15 p.m. Conferences will be held in the evenings from 6:45-9:00 with the meal at 6:00 o'clock.

There will be five teams conducting the meetings, with the date, place and team leaders as follows:

In each case where a team holds two meetings in the same day, the first one listed is a morning meeting with the second one an evening meeting.

Team No. 1 — Billy Hudgens, asso-

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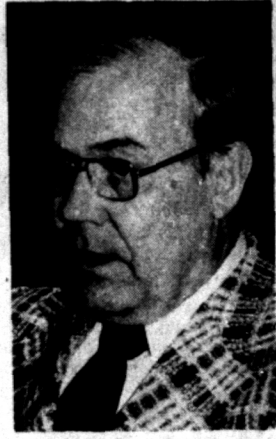
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## Men's Conference Ready Nov. 12

### Long Life Not Graham Goal; Rather Die Preaching

ATLANTA (RNS)—Living to a ripe old age is not one of evangelist Billy Graham's ambitions.

"I would rather die earlier and be preaching the Gospel than to phase out and live to be 80," he told Coleen Teasley, religion editor of the Atlanta Constitution, in a telephone interview from his office in Montreat, N. C.

Explaining why longevity is not his goal, the 55-year-old evangelist commented, "I don't particularly want to live to be 80. I'm looking forward to heaven. I don't have any sweet desire to stay in this world."

In the interview, he revealed that although he has become world famous for his huge crusade rallies, he prefers small group sessions. "My No. 1 preference is question-and-answer periods," the evangelist said, "when I can sit down and talk to clergy or seminary students and just answer questions. As I get older I enjoy teaching more than preaching."

Mr. Graham, whose crusades have enabled him to preach the Gospel to millions, predicted that massive rallies will some day be a thing of the past for him.

"I'm not sure I can continue as I get older in the big stadiums of the country," he commented. "Preaching from second base, as I did in Atlanta, is too exhausting." He estimated that he will probably quit big crusades in five to seven years.

Taking time off is a problem for Mr. Graham as for most active men. "I had planned to take '74 completely off for the first time in my life just to sort of recharge my batteries and study," he related. But the Graham schedule for 1974 already includes a crusade in Rio de Janeiro and the International Conference on Evangelism

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The annual Mississippi Baptist Men's Conference will be held at Jackson's First Baptist Church Monday afternoon and evening, Nov. 12, one day prior to the opening of the Mississippi Baptist Convention on Nov. 13.

The highlight evening session, to begin in the church auditorium at 7:30, will feature missions, according to J. T. Gilbert, of Jackson, president of the Men's Conference, who will preside over the service.

Dr. Glendon McCullough, of Memphis, president of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission, will be the final speaker, with Dr. Wendell Belew, director of the Division of Missions of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, to speak earlier.

James McElroy, professor of music at Clarke College, will direct the music for the service.

Special music for the session will be a presentation by the Clarke College choir under direction of Mr. McElroy.

Baptist men from every section of the state are expected to practically fill the auditorium for this service, according to Mr. Gilbert.

At 5:30 p.m. the annual banquet will be held in Fellowship Hall at Parkway Baptist Church.

Rev. E. L. Howell, Jackson, director of the Brotherhood Department of the State Convention Board, will preside.

John Bewley, minister of activities at Broadmoor Baptist Church, Jackson, will provide the entertainment for the luncheon meeting.

Food, fun, inspiration and challenge

will be featured at the banquet, according to Mr. Howell.

Tickets for the banquet may be secured by writing the Brotherhood Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi 39205. The tickets will cost \$2 per person.

The afternoon program of the conference, to begin at 2:30 p.m. in the

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## Schools Prepare Guidelines On Religious Holidays

MINNEAPOLIS (RNS) — In an effort to head off trouble during the holiday season, school boards of two Twin Cities' area suburbs have taken action on religious guidelines for their schools.

In both cases, the guidelines prohibit religious ceremonies and emphasizing one religion over others. Both actions grew out of controversies over Christmas programs last year.

In Bloomington, the school board endorsed a four - page statement from the city's human rights Commission and asked the superintendent to convert it into policies and specific rules "with all possible haste." The statement suggests that religion's only proper role in the public schools is its educational value, not its observance or celebration.

They suggest that the board should make specific rules dealing with religious holidays, religious symbols, music and art, the school calendar, instruction of religion and prayer. In West St. Paul, the School Board approved 4 to 2 guidelines which prohibit the advancement of any religion in the schools.

## Missions Will Be Emphasized At Youth Night Service

Missions, with particular emphasis on "personal commitment to mission involvement," will be the emphasis at this year's youth night session of the State Convention, to be held on Thursday night, Nov. 15 in the Mississippi Coliseum.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary - treasurer of the Convention Board, in making the above announcement, added that the principal

speaker will be Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

Dr. Hudgins further said that Dr. Cauthen's appeal will be to inspire the hundreds of young people present to give deep consideration to making a personal choice to serve Christ in missionary service, at home, or to the ends of the earth."

The service will begin with "Mo-

ments of Instrumental Inspiration," followed by a choral message by the Sanctuary Choir, and Revelation from the First Baptist Church of Jackson.

Larry Black, minister of music of the church, will direct this presentation and also the music for the service and give a testimony in song.

Dr. David Grant, Jackson, convention president, will call the meeting to

order and make announcements and introductions.

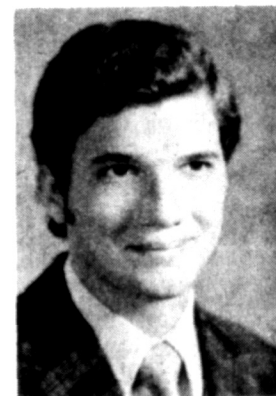
Prayer will be led by Dr. Earl Kelly, now executive secretary - treasurer - elect of the convention board, who will become executive secretary - treasurer at the close of the Tuesday night session.

Buddy Mathis, a student at Mississippi College, will present a special feature.

David Glaze, also a Mississippi College student, will give a personal testimony.

Another choral message by the two

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David Glaze



Buddy Mathis



Dr. Baker J. Cauthen



Larry Black

## WMU Plans Sunday Night Meet At SBC

Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, has slated a Sunday evening starting session for its annual meeting in Dallas next June, and has designated a headquarters hotel for WMU members.

Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Waco, Texas, president of WMU, said the missions program Sunday, June 9, will be WMU's gift to Baptists of the Dallas area to early convention arrivals.

"Several pastors in the Dallas area have expressed enthusiastic support for the unusual missions night we have planned," Mrs. Mathis said. The session will be held at 7:30 in the 10,000 - seat arena of the Dallas convention center.

WMU had Sunday evening sessions last year in Portland and the previous year in Philadelphia. Mrs. Mathis said that attendance at these sessions was outstanding but that a greater turnout is expected in Baptist - dominated Dallas.

Headline feature in Dallas Sunday night will be a commissioning service for new foreign missionaries conduct-

ed by Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. The missionary appointees will bring personal testimonies.

Dr. Gardner C. Taylor, pastor of the Concord Baptist Church, Brooklyn, New York, will deliver the keynote address. Dr. Taylor's subject will be the theme for the WMU meeting, "Listen to Your World."

Dr. Taylor, a leader in the Progressive National Baptist Convention, is former co-chairman of the Baptist World Alliance Commission on Religious Liberty and Human Rights.

Soloists for the session will be Miss Irene Jordan, concert and opera star who has made frequent world tours for Foreign Missions, and Dr. Sidney Buckley, concert artist from Easley, South Carolina. The Joy Singers from Hardin - Simmons University in Abilene, Texas, will also perform.

Dr. George R. Beasley - Murray, professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, will be featured pianist. Dr. Beasley - Murray was a concert pi-

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## World Mission Of Reconciliation Planned

By Joseph B. Underwood

In response to the call issued by the 1970 Baptist World Congress, 98 Baptist Conventions (Unions) in 85 countries have voted their involvement.

Need For Reconciliation

At the recent meeting of the BWA Committee on World Mission of Reconciliation Through Jesus Christ the urgent need for reconciliation was dramatically illustrated by reports of tragic events in various areas of the world.

In Uganda, for example, Baptists are neither one of the three religious groups (Muslim, Roman Catholic, Anglican) officially permitted to continue functioning within that country, nor are they listed in the large group

of those officially banned. Baptist church buildings have been converted into bars and pig pens. Others have been destroyed. Missionaries have been forced to leave.

In neighboring Rwanda and Burundi, conditions are even sadder because of tribal warfare. In Burundi, only two Baptist pastors remain—one permanently "hospitalized," the other too old and feeble to serve. Church members with training or minimum possessions have been almost totally "liquidated."

Numerous political and geographical regions of tension and warfare likewise emphasize the need for reconciliation. Other areas of need for reconciliation include:

—misunderstanding and conflict be-

tween and within tribes, races and various nationalistic groups,

—churches, families,

—the affluent and the underprivileged,

—the lonely individuals and institutionalized,

—alcoholics and drug addicts,

—neighborhoods of poverty, crime, ethnic groups not effectively penetrated nor ministered to by any evangelical Christians,

—the so called "life-style people."

Creating Awareness

The General Secretary of the Baptist Union wrote letter to each pastor about the World Mission of Reconciliation. This was followed by personal contact or a letter to the chairman of each city or associational confer-

ence of pastors. A general discussion among the pastors of each conference led to specifics: defining areas of need within their respective communities, development of related Bible studies and suggested actions by the churches that might bear positive fruit in reconciliation. Each pastor was encouraged to conduct similar discussions and planning within his church, informing and seeking to involve every member in planning for and in action to achieve New Testament reconciliation.

Several annual assemblies have directed special studies concerning the doctrine of reconciliation in each session of their convention meeting.

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## New Publications Commemorate Lottie Moon

The centennial of Lottie Moon's arrival in China has caused the creation of three commemorative publications.

"In the Spirit of Christmas" is a handsome 16-page historical booklet. A brief graphic text and rare photographs tell the meaning of Miss Moon's missionary service. It fills the requests of many for "something about the life of Lottie Moon." The booklet comes with an envelope, making it suitable for mailing for Christmas. The booklet sells for \$1.00 and is available from both Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham, and from Baptist Book Stores.

Another historical product is a set of 12 note cards with matching envelopes. The photographs of Lottie Moon's China on the note cards are borrowed from Foreign Mission Board archives. A brief caption explains each picture's significance. The cards are suitable for all-purpose corresponding but especially for Christmas-time notes. The price per 12-card set is \$1.00. They are available from WMU and Baptist Book Stores.

A brightly colored filmstrip, also entitled *In the Spirit of Christmas*, relates Miss Moon's service to today's need for missionaries. The filmstrip is recommended for use during the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions. The filmstrip, \$6.00, is available from Baptist Book Stores only.

## New Career Set For Brooks Hays

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — Brooks Hays, who has already had several careers in the worlds of religion and politics, is beginning a new one here — as lay minister in residence at Capitol Hill United Methodist Church.

At a press conference announcing his new situation, the 75-year-old churchman assured reporters, "I ain't beginning to start to think about leaving the Baptist Church."

The former president of the Southern Baptist Convention (1967-69), with year's leave of absence from Calvary his wife, Marion, has been granted a Baptist church here.

## Southern Seminary Alumni To Meet On Nov. 14

For Annual Fall Reunion  
LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Mississippi alumni of Southern Seminary will meet at 12:30 p.m. on November 14 for their annual fall reunion in the Sky Room of the Baptist Building, Jackson. Ralph Atkinson, pictured, dean of the school of religious education and professor of religious education will be the special guest.



## Southwestern Alumni Annual Luncheon To Be At Alta Woods

FORT WORTH, Tex. — Dr. F. B. Huey, pictured, associate professor of Old Testament at Southwestern Seminary, will speak at the annual meeting of the seminary's Mississippi association alumni November 14.



## Goes To Emmanuel

Earl H. Surber, a second-year diplomate of theology student at New Orleans Seminary, recently became pastor of Emmanuel Church, Columbia.



Surber is a native of Memphis, Tenn., where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Surber, still reside. He is married to the former Patricia Balch of Memphis and they have four children: Vickie, 20; Janice, 18; Pamela, 14; and Alan, 12.

He attended Memphis State University and has served as pastor of Union Chapel Church in Ethelville, Ala. and Northshore Mission in Sildell, La.

## Revival Dates

Gulfport Heights (Gulf Coast): November 5-9; services at 7 p.m.; Rev. Eastus Pirkle, evangelist; Pop Stone, singer; Rev. Lester McNair, pastor.

West Laurel Church, Laurel: Nov. 4-11; Jarry Autrey, evangelist; Leon Westerhouse, singer; Rev. D. J. Benson, pastor; morning services Monday - Friday at 10 a.m.; evening services Sunday - Sunday at 7 p.m.



## Hudgins Announces Name Of FMB Chapel

RICHMOND—W. Douglas Hudgins of Mississippi (right), president of the Foreign Mission Board, announces the naming of the FMB's chapel "The Baker James Cauthen Chapel," at a luncheon celebrating Cauthen's 20th anniversary as the board's executive secretary. Mr. and Mrs. Cauthen (left) look on.



Newton



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## Series Sunday School -

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ciate in Sunday School Department, leader, accompanied by L. J. Newton, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville: Monday, Amory, First and Pontotoc, First; Tuesday, Booneville, First, and Ripley, First; Wednesday, Holly Springs, First, (A. M.); Thursday, Hernando, First and Oxford, First; Friday, Marks, First, (A. M.).

Team No. 2 — Rev. Judd Allen, associate in Sunday School Department, leader: Monday, Bruce, First and Grenada, First; Tuesday, Leland, First, (p.m.); Wednesday, Belzoni, First, (a.m.); Thursday, Durant, First and Canton, First; Friday, Rolling Fork, First (a.m.).

Team No. 3 — Rev. Dennis Conniff, leader: Monday, Ackerman and West Point, First; Tuesday, Louisville, First and Philadelphia, First; Wednesday, Meridian, First (a.m.); Thursday, First and Bay Springs, Friday, Quitman, First (a.m.).

Team No. 4 — Mr. Cummings, leader, accompanied by Kenneth Dean, of the Sunday School Board: Monday, Florence, First and Vicksburg, First; Tuesday, Hazlehurst, First and Monticello; Wednesday, Tylertown, First (a.m.); Thursday, Port Gibson, First and Natchez, First; Friday, Liberty (a.m.).

Team No. 5 — Leader, Rev. W. T.

## Adkins Accepts Call To Rocky Creek

Rev. S. A. "Sonny" Adkins has accepted a call as pastor of Rocky Creek Church, Lucedale, largest rural church in Mississippi.

Mr. Adkins, native of Prentiss, graduated from William Carey College and New Orleans Seminary. He is President of William Carey Alumni Association, was elected Outstanding Youth Director of Mississippi in 1970 by the Civitan International, was first vice-moderator of Mobile Baptist Association in Mobile, Alabama, and was chosen an Outstanding Young Man of America for 1973.

He comes from Spring Hill Avenue Church in Mobile. During his two-year ministry there, there were over 200 additions to the church with seven people surrendering to full-time Christian service. He is a former pastor of Central Church, McComb.

Mr. Adkins is married to the former Irby Jean Bourn of Oak Vale. They have two sons, Scott, 6 and Eric 2 1/2.

## 2513 Missionaries

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board has 2528 missionaries under appointment as of mid-October.

## MC Student Killed In Auto Accident

Miss Jennifer (Jennie) Reynolds, 20, a student at Mississippi College, was killed in an auto accident over the past week-end, according to information released from the college.

Miss Reynolds had left for her home in the Whynot community near Meridian Saturday night about 10:30 following the football game on the campus.

Miss Reynolds had almost reached home when something apparently happened to her small foreign car, in which she was traveling alone, and the auto appeared to have turned over several times, with her being thrown from the vehicle.

She was carried to Riley Memorial Hospital early Sunday morning when the accident was reported, and she was pronounced dead on arrival.

Many details of the accident are missing and it is still under investigation, according to college sources.

She leaves her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Reynolds of the Whynot community in Lauderdale County; a brother, Robert A. Reynolds of Oxford, and her grandmother, Mrs. Edna Reynolds, Whynot. Funeral services were held Monday at Bethany Baptist Church with burial in the church cemetery.

Douglas: Monday, Magee, First and Collins; Tuesday, Waynesboro, First and Hattiesburg, First; Wednesday, Poplarville, First (a.m.); Thursday, Long Beach, First and Pascagoula, First; Friday, Lucedale, First (a.m.).

## Highland, Meridian Makes \$900 Advance Gulfshore Payment



Rev. Jackie Hamilton, pastor of Highland Church, Meridian (left) presents Dr. Earl Kelly, Jackson, executive secretary-treasurer-elect of the State Convention Board, with a \$900.00 check which is a partial advance payment on the church's three-year commitment to Gulfshore. Dr. Kelly was the guest speaker at their Wednesday evening stewardship emphasis.

## Long Life Not Graham Goal

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in Switzerland, which he described as "the largest and possibly the most important conference on evangelism and missions in this century."

Finances may also necessitate a cutback in the Graham organization's operations. "At the moment, we don't have any surpluses," the evangelist reported. "I think we have just about enough to pay our bills."

He estimated that a single one-hour television broadcast of a crusade service costs a total of \$250,000.

"The prices are going up," Mr. Graham said. "It takes a great deal of money to support these telecasts. Some of them break even, some of them we don't get enough money in to pay for them, some of them we take in a little bit more."

Despite these problems, the evangelist said he isn't worried about finances.

"The Lord always provides," he explained. "It seems that the Lord knows how much we need. He doesn't give us too much and He doesn't give us too little. It's a very amazing thing. I stand back sometimes and I just know that the Lord is doing it."

High blood pressure is Mr. Graham's only major medical problem, he said, adding that he inherited it from his father. "Sure, the doctors are telling me to slow down," he admitted, "but I have to balance that against my calling to proclaim the Gospel."

## The Convention President Speaks

For the past two weeks, it has been my delightful privilege to be in seven associational meetings, including our own here in Hinds - Madison. These meetings have taken me from the extreme south to the extreme north and from the west to the east. In order to work here at the church and make these meetings, I have driven hundreds of miles way over in the night and part of the time in pouring down rain. These meetings have taken me to some of our smallest churches and to some of our larger. They have been held in wide - open country churches, in town churches, and in the city.

In it all, I have been profoundly impressed with the work of our Lord. His preachers are dedicated. His laymen are concerned. This is reflected in the quality church buildings I have seen in the areas mentioned. It is observable in facts and figures presented in associational letter summaries. It is realized in facial expressions and tone of voice of speakers. It has encouraged me as I have heard reports and responses to our Gulfshore project.

All of us recognize there are problems. There are discouragements, but my experience has taught me that our assets outweigh our liabilities. Our reasons for encouragement far outdistance our reasons for discouragement. Our hope for the future exceeds our reasons for complaining about the past. We have a great state, wonderful people, imposing churches, and a bright future.—David Grant



James McElroy

Rev. Dan West

## Men's Conference - - -

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chapel of the church, will be given over entirely to special training opportunities.

C. H. Seaton, Little Rock, state Brotherhood Director for Arkansas, will conduct a conference period for Pioneer Royal Ambassador leadership.

Clayton Gilbert, director of the Crusader Division for the Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, will conduct a conference for Crusader Royal Ambassador leadership.

G. A. Ratterree, Jacksonville, state Baptist Brotherhood Director for Florida, will conduct a training period for all officers of the Baptist Men's unit of the church Brotherhood program.

Rev. Dan West, superintendent of associational missions for the Simpson County Baptist Association, will conduct a conference period for all associational Brotherhood leadership.

The afternoon session will begin with a general meeting. The conferences will also be held in various places of the church buildings.

The training program will be over at 4:45 p.m., according to Paul Harrell, Jackson, associate in the Brotherhood Department, who will preside over the afternoon session.

Other officers of the Men's Conference are as follows: Dr. Howard Carpenter, Senatobia, vice-president; Farrell Blankenship, Hattiesburg, secretary; Norris Edmonson, Natchez, Baptist men's leader.

The Men's Conference is related to the State Convention through the Brotherhood Department.

## More Than \$7 Million

Radio and television stations across the United States have accepted the programs offered by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission so completely that in the fiscal year, 1972, they gave Baptists a total of \$7.5 million in free broadcast time.

## Missions Will Be - - -

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groups from First Baptist Church will be rendered just prior to Dr. Cauthen's message.

Dr. Cauthen's address will be followed by an "opportunity for decision."

Dr. John Lee Taylor, of Grenada, a member of the Foreign Mission Board, will pronounce the benediction.

The theme for the service will be "Your opportunity for an Encounter With Greatness."

The program for this service was planned by the convention's committee on order of business, Rev. Frank Gunn, Biloxi, chairman.

The Coliseum, which seats about 10,000 for this service, has been filled to overflowing each year for the past several years.

The service will begin at 7 o'clock.

Edwin L. Drake, drilling with steam-operated rig, found oil near Titusville, Pa., on Aug. 22, 1859, marking beginning of large-scale petroleum industry.



## Lowrey Memorial Votes Two Percent For Gulfshore

On Sunday morning, October 21, by recommendation of the deacons, members of Lowrey Memorial Church, Blue Mountain, voted to give two per cent of its budget over and above the special offerings and necessary regular items in the budget, for the project now in progress to Rebuild Gulfshore Assembly. This love gift process is to be in operation over a period of three years. Shown at right is the pastor of Lowrey Memorial Church, Dr. M. Douglas Clark, with the chairman of deacons, Dr. E. Harold Fisher, president of Blue Mountain College, as the pledge certificate was made official.

## Ethel Honors Senior Citizens

Senior Citizen's Day was observed at Ethel Church, Ethel, October 14.

Corsages were given to adult members over 65, by members of the church welcoming committee. These honored citizens were then escorted to reserved pews in the sanctuary and seated.

Other features of the program consisted of Scripture reading and a memorial prayer by Bernard Avery, in recognition of deceased members. Elmo Burchfield then spoke to the church on the value of the senior citizens to the church and community.

Special features of the service included testimonies by these honored citizens on what the church has meant to them. This was followed by the morning message by Rev. J. L. Moore, retired, who now belongs to the Ethel Church.

At the conclusion of the service everyone shared lunch together in the fellowship hall.

## Quitman County Baptists Voice Opposition To Horse, Dog Racing

A resolution concerning horse racing and dog racing was presented to the Quitman County Baptist Association in its annual meeting and was adopted. A copy was sent to Governor Bill Waller.

"Attempts are being made to repeal or modify our laws that make horse racing and dog racing illegal in Mississippi," the document stated.

"We affirm that horse racing and dog racing are morally wrong, socially corrupting, unethical, and often criminally controlled."

## WMU Plans For Sunday Night

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amist before becoming president of Spurgeon's College in London. Dr. Joyce Jones, concert organist - in - residence at Baylor University, will be organist.

WMU will also have sessions Monday morning, afternoon, and evening. Plans for these programs will be announced later.

The Adolphus Hotel in Dallas has been named the WMU headquarters hotel. "This is the first time in sev-

## McLemore, Dobbins Get Top Awards At MC Homecoming

Two men who have excelled as educators, writers and denominational leaders through many years of service were honored Saturday at Homecoming by being named recipients of the top awards given out by the Mississippi College Alumni Association.

Dr. R. A. McLemore, president emeritus of Mississippi College and executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Historical Commission was named as "Alumnus of the Year" for 1973, while Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, former professor, seminary president and current author received the "Order of the Golden Arrow" Award.

Dr. McLemore, president of MC from 1957 to 1968, received his award from Dr. Lewis Nobles, president of the college and his successor. Dr. Earl Kelly of Jackson, executive secretary - elect of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, made the presentation to Dr. Dobbins.

Revelation of the recipients was one of the top moments in a day that saw hundreds of alumni return to the campus for reunion meetings, a business session, entertainment and the football game between Mississippi College and the University of Arkansas-Monticello.

In addition to the two top awards, several other plaques were given out in appreciation for service rendered the college in various other areas.

Rowan Taylor of Jackson received a plaque in recognition of his outstanding leadership as general chairman of the COMMITMENT Campaign, a \$3 million capital funds effort of the college. The Campaign exceeded its goal by some \$936,000.

Receiving recognition for his leadership as chairman of the 1973 Alumni Annual Fund was James A. Lambuth of McComb. He spearheaded a drive that brought in \$126,222.39, slightly more than the \$125,000 being sought.

Dr. Charles Holladay of Tupelo was given a plaque for his year of service as president of the Alumni Association. Incoming president is Ken Toler.

The "Order of the Golden Arrow" Award received by Dr. Dobbins was initiated last year to honor individuals who have made outstanding personal or professional achievement in their professions, businesses or careers.

Nathan Hale, caught while carrying military information, was executed as an American spy on the 22nd of September, 1776.



## Students Reflect On Jewish Heritage

Mark Brasler (left) of St. Louis and Mike Copen of Springfield, Tennessee, talk together and reflect on their Jewish heritage while touring the Nicol Museum of Biblical Archaeology, which displays many treasures from ancient Israel. The museum is located in the James P. Boyce Library at Southern Seminary where both men are students.



# World Mission Of Reconciliation Planned

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Those in attendance became keenly aware of the biblical basis of the World Mission of Reconciliation and its implications for personal and collective living and service.

## BWA Sunday

The first Sunday of February has been observed, at least theoretically, for many years as Baptist World Alliance Sunday. Its observance with reference to the World Mission of Reconciliation could do much to increase Baptist awareness of the Baptist World Alliance and of the challenge and potential of the World Mission of Reconciliation.

Suggested theme for BWA Sunday 1974: Reconciliation — God's Gift — Our Task!

For 1975: The Cross — The Price of Reconciliation!

Observance in each church could focus on the purpose of the BWA, but primarily on the theme related to the Mission of Reconciliation. Suggestions include:

- possible interchange of pulpits between Baptist pastors of various conventions, races and nationalities;
- exchange of choirs;
- churches of different races meeting together for worship;
- "Agape" meals for the cultivation of more meaningful fellowship within each church;
- encouragement to church members to visit in homes or sections of the city of particular need, especially where there is a void of Christian

ministry, becoming personally acquainted with the people and their needs.

## Action For Reconciliation

Bible Study. New Zealand Baptists have dedicated 1973 to Bible studies concerning reconciliation and race relations. Inter-racial fellowship meetings are being sponsored. During succeeding years they will pursue various plans for reconciliation within families and churches as well as in other relationships.

Training for lay witnessing. Perhaps the most exciting emphasis throughout the world is the concern to provide training for every church member to become an effective, continuous, personal witness for Jesus Christ. Spiritual preparation includes special Bible studies, prayer groups, visits to cultivate friendship and interest, personal commitment, experiencing the power and leadership of the Holy Spirit. After the week of special training a program of continuing activities for witnessing is encouraged. Wonderful blessings have resulted in those churches where thorough preparation and continuing encouragement to witness have been essentially related to the special training.

Cultivation of Christian love within the church is another effort to prepare churches for positive and dynamic ministries of reconciliation.

"Discovery Week" — or "Friendship Week" — encourages church members to "discover:" (a) their neighbors — who they are and their

needs; (b) the lonely in the city block where Christians live; (c) those in the immediate neighborhood with specific problems, needs; (d) areas of the city presently neglected by churches; (e) groups or "categories" of people usually neglected by churches.

Crisis Service. "Crisis" may refer to a particular disaster, to those on drugs, sufferers of sudden severe illness or accidents, those in such a state of despair that they are contemplating suicide, those in need of employment, etc. Whatever the crisis experience Christians can minister in the love and power of Jesus Christ.

Inter-racial fellowships, in churches with large groups, in homes with small groups, sharing testimonies about the grace of God, getting acquainted with one another, learning to serve and witness together for Jesus Christ.

Ministries to the institutionalized, to foreigners, to abnormal behavior groups, to the derelict and indigent, to the "social outcast," to the destitute.

Economic help. Baptists of the Union of South Africa are creating good will and assisting with improved diet and economy by providing needy families with as many as 20 hens, of excellent stock — or by planting orange trees in neighboring yards.

Friendship is deepened by the sharing of Christian testimony along with this ministry that seeks the material

and physical benefit of those to whom they minister and witness.

Cooperative evangelistic endeavors. Baptists of Nigeria, for example, are sponsoring 17 regional evangelistic campaigns. First there is an effort to train every member of the churches of that district in personal witnessing. Pastors and laymen from all of the churches join with church members of the largest city of that region in a central evangelistic campaign. The central campaign is followed immediately by a week of simultaneous evangelistic missions in each church of the region.

In the first of these 17 regional evangelistic campaigns there were more than 1600 first-time registered decisions for Christ and more than 800 re-commitments made by church members.

Thus, through spiritual renewal, personal witnessing, cooperative evangelistic endeavors and ministries of reconciliation Baptists of the world seek to express, in word and deed, the love of God. The goal is idealistic — it is nothing short of God's purpose to create a new man in Christ Jesus (2 Cor. 5:17) and to create in Christ one new humanity (Eph. 2:14-16). — (Joseph B. Underwood is general chairman of the World Mission of Reconciliation Through Jesus Christ, a project of the Baptist World Alliance.)



## Bethel To Celebrate Centennial

Bethel Church, Grenada County, will celebrate its centennial on November 18, 1973.

Bethel Church has a history unknown. The oldest records are of the year 1873 when M. J. Oaks was baptized. Most records kept are those related by family and friends. Many people believe that the history of Bethel goes back before the Civil War. However, there are no known records to this effect.

Around 1910 Bethel emerged from occasional preaching of the Word to part time and then full time. During this time Bethel was used as a school when necessary and the dirt trails

and roads leading to the church were worn by the feet of old and young alike.

"We once called ourselves the place to train ministers of the Gospel while they were in school," says one member. Many Clarke and Mississippi College students have preached at Bethel and some have been called as student pastors. Rev. William B. McDaniels is the present pastor; Alex Smith is the minister of music.

The church invites each former pastor, his family and friends to share in this day of worship. Dinner will be served at noon in the new fellowship hall.



Young women take advantage of a few minutes before one of the sessions to visit with other BYWs at the retreat.



A panel of BYW members share what the organization means to them. L to r: Marjean Patterson, state WMU executive secretary, who moderated the panel; Mrs. Annette Lott, Jackson; Mrs. Myra Thurman, Brookhaven; Mrs. Ann Mercer, Newton; and June Smith, Forest.



Dr. Don Stewart of William Carey leads Bible Study.



Mrs. Frank Lay tells of mission action being done by her BYW as they help people at State Hospital in Meridian.

## Baptist Young Women's Retreat Is Held At Camp Garaywa

Baptist Young Women — married, single, and career women — in Mississippi enjoyed a weekend of sharing, of learning, of fellowship and fun at the BYW Retreat held at Camp Garaywa, October 19 - 20.

Many husbands of the married BYWs kept children and cooperated willingly with handling various other "wifely duties" so that their wives would be able to share this experience with other BYWs who attend. The emphasis for the weekend was, "Lord, Speak Through Me."

Dr. Don Stewart of William Carey College, in Hattiesburg, led an interesting study of the book of James. Rev. Robert Wall of Mississippi College presented a visual story of experiences he and his family had serving in home missions in Montana.

Mission Action was spotlighted on Saturday, with a workshop giving time for discussion of different needs in communities throughout the state. As areas of need were studied, specific ways to meet needs of communities represented by those present

were discussed. Once again, the BYWs were discovering a way in which God can be shown to others.

Meditation periods opening each session were led by Mrs. Jewell Smith of Brookhaven. Kathy Richey of the Church Music Department, Miss. Baptist Convention Board, directed the music.

A delightful fashion show of 1974 styles was presented by the BYWs of Morrison Heights Church, Clinton. The concluding session featured a

panel of BYW members, moderated by Miss Marjean Patterson, state WMU executive secretary. Each representative told of various things the missions organization means in her life and in the lives of others in her church. With further emphasis on letting God use individual lives, Mrs. Art Compere, missionary to Nigeria, shared ways in which God has used her life and the lives of members of her family as they have served Him in a foreign country.

## First Church, Biloxi, Installs Color Television Lighting

A gift in excess of \$4,000 has been received by First Church, Biloxi as a memorial gift to Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Williams. The gift was given by Mr. and Mrs. Phil Kempkes — the daughter and son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Williams.

The memorial gift was designated for the purchase of special lighting for the color television ministry of the church. The work has been completed with the installation of twelve Color-tran fixtures that provide 14,000 watt lamps. All television and house lights have been placed on a new dimmer control package for the effectiveness of this outreach ministry.

The church has been engaged in a television ministry for many years, but operated with one camera in black and white. About a year and a half ago, a new contract was signed

with Television Station WLOX for the changeover to the color presentation by the use of two new Norelco color cameras.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams were long time active members of First Church until her death in February of 1970 and his in March of 1973. Mrs. Williams, who died at age 72, was for over 30 years very active as a Beginner Sunday School teacher, a member of the WMU, and a member of the choir. Mr. Williams, who died at age 85, had been a member of the choir for approximately 50 years. He

served as treasurer of the church for many years and had been elected as a lifetime deacon. One of his most contributive areas of leadership had to do with major building programs of the church. In the latter years of his life when unable to attend the worship services, he always anticipated and enjoyed the television ministry of his church. It was for this reason that the family felt such a memorial gift would be appropriate since it would enhance the television ministry for others.

Rev. Frank W. Gunn, pastor of First

Church, states, "The television ministry is one of the most exciting programs of this strategically located church. This gift has made it possible for our television staff to add much more variety in the television program by utilizing the two cameras to their maximum effectiveness. It is now possible for the viewer to feel more a part of what is taking place in the sanctuary. We are deeply grateful to the Kempkes family for this large gift that aids us in reaching more people in south Mississippi, and portions of Alabama and Louisiana."

## Tennessee Baptist Editor Granted Leave Of Absence

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. (BP) — James A. Lester, editor of the Baptist and Reflector, news publication of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, has been "granted... a six-month leave of absence, beginning Nov. 1... at his request," according to O. M. Dangeau, chairman of the administrative committee of the Tennessee Baptist executive board.

"During this time Mr. Lester will not have any responsibility with the paper, and Dr. Ralph Norton (Tennessee Baptist) executive secretary-treasurer, will assume complete responsibility for it," Dangeau said in a statement in the Baptist and Reflector.

Norton said Lester cited health problems as his reason for seeking a leave of absence.

## Over 500 Attend Woodville Celebration

One of the most important days in the history of the Woodville Church occurred on Sunday, October 14, when the church celebrated its 175th birthday. The old church was constituted on October 13, 1798.

Over 500 people, including the pastor, Rev. O. B. Beverly, members of the church, former members and friends from various parts of Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama gathered to attend this happy celebration from 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. and to enjoy dinner on the grounds.

The morning session began with an organ prelude by Ted Beverly of Mobile, son of Rev. and Mrs. Beverly.

## First, Coffeeville Plans Centennial

First Church, Coffeeville, members are making plans for the 100th birthday celebration and dedication of the new sanctuary now being built. The celebration will be during the week of February 13-20, 1974. Throughout this week they will have a program every night, concluding with a special Sunday service and dinner. Further information about this Centennial will appear later in the Baptist Record.

The scripture and prayer were given by Dr. Francis K. Horton of Clarksdale, pastor of the church from 1928 to 1934.

After the welcome by Enloe M. Kee, Jr., a tableau entitled, "Forward Through the Ages," was presented by members of the congregation who were dressed in authentic costumes of the various periods depicting the history of the church dating back to the origin of the Baptist religion in the area in 1791.

This tableau, highlight of the day's activities, was edited and narrated by Mrs. Eddie G. Davis, and Mrs. Dor-

## French Camp Homecoming Offering To Go To "Improvement Fund"

French Camp Church is planning for Homecoming Sunday, November 11, and extends an invitation to former pastors, members and friends.

The program will begin at 11 a.m. Lunch will be served at the church. Also an afternoon service is planned, according to Rev. J. B. Smith, pastor.

All gifts of the day — Sunday School and worship services will go into an "Improvement Fund," the first item in improvement to be the installation of a baptistry.

O. Trevillion was the director. Serving as musicians were Mrs. Myron Waddell, organist and Mrs. Kent Depee, pianist. Between scenes, Mrs. Clifford Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. Kent Depee sang. As a climax to the tableau the Woodville Church Youth Singers, under direction of Mrs. Depee, sang, concluding with "Hope Broke Out One Morning" in which they dedicated themselves to God's service.

The principal message of the morning was given by Dr. David R. Grant of Jackson, president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

The benediction and blessing was given by Sam O. Leake.

In the afternoon session the scripture and prayer were given by two former "preacher boys" of the church: Rev. Allen Balliett of Laurel, and Rev. Charles W. Stockett, Jr. of Covington, Louisiana.

Before the message of the afternoon Ted Beverly sang a medley of hymns.

The featured speaker of the afternoon was Honorable William F. Winter, Lieutenant Governor of Mississippi. He was introduced by Clifford Wheeler. At the conclusion of the program for the day a reception was held in the dining room of the church.

Mrs. John C. Hewes served as general chairman of this celebration.

## MBREA Luncheon To Be Nov. 13, Broadmoor

The Mississippi Religious Education Association Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, November 13, at Broadmoor Church, Jackson, at 12:30 p.m. This will be during the week of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Rev. Robert Wall, director of Church Relations at Mississippi College, will present his new thirty-minute program, "With God On An Island."

The cost of the luncheon will be \$2.50 per person. Reservations should be made by November 6, by contacting Dale Oden at Morrison Heights Baptist Church, Clinton, Ms. 39056 (phone 924-5620).

## Missionaries On Furlough

The following Mississippi missionaries are now in the state on furlough. Churches or other groups wishing to contact them for speaking engagements may reach them at the addresses given.

- Elton P. Gray, 1625 Easy Street, Yazoo City, Ms.
- Jimmy J. Hartfield, 2334 Coronet Place, Jackson, Ms.
- Jerry Simon, 715 East Northside Drive, Jackson, Ms.
- Thomas E. Thurman, 921 Jackson Avenue, Columbia, Ms.



Music Consultants At BMC

Clifford A. Holcomb (seated), Nashville, Tenn., formerly associate music consultant, Baptist Sunday School Board, and Dan Hall, director, Church Music Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, (standing at left), recently conducted a special seminar (and showed a church music film) for music majors at Blue Mountain College. Denise Davis of Orange City, Fla., music major (standing at center), shares a music book with Dr. Stanley R. Richison, Chairman of the Music Department, BMC and music director, Lowrey Memorial Church.



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## EDITORIAL

### Guest Editorial

## A Word For Religious Journals

**James F. Cole in Baptist Message (La.)**  
No individual can adequately plead his or her own case. This is true also of institutions, even religious publications. The aid of other voices is needed.

In light of the ever-increasing costs of printing, postage, etc., and because the very life of religious journals is being threatened the words of Joseph T. McGucken, Archbishop of San Francisco, caught the eye of this writer. In his September pastoral letter, the archbishop flatly declared, "The need for diocesan newspapers in the homes of all Catholics was never more apparent. . . In these days, when we see some newspapers corrupting and contradicting fundamental moral values, the importance of the Catholic press becomes more manifest." He noted that the Catholic press must differ from the secular press, "but primarily through its spirit and conception." He added, "Today we cannot expect a Catholic newspaper. . . to depend solely on pious matter. It must reflect the lives of the people it serves; their hopes, their joys, their sorrows, their problems."

"A Catholic press which shows no concern for the swiftly unfolding events of the day is doomed to failure," the archbishop stated.

He touched a very sensitive nerve when he noted that serving the truth can create problems because many people today "opt for a selected truth, that which they can accept in comfort, which does not disturb them. . ." The archbishop made it clear that he did not have reference to the fundamental truths which must be accepted by all Christians without reservations and must be made viable in life.

Declaring that a man's religious life cannot be separated from the many facets of human life, Archbishop McGucken said, "his religious values and the sense of God's presence in his life must permeate every aspect of day-to-day living. Christ has given us both a message and a way of life."

The archbishop spoke as only an archbishop can speak to his constituents when he declared, "neither the faithful nor the clergy give it the attention they should." He even went so far as to say, "It is a 'patent absurdity' to call oneself a Catholic while at the same time displaying indifference to the Catholic press."

The words of the archbishop can be spoken of all religious journals in the main. In a fast changing world where values are shifting, the religious jour-

nals must not be discarded as a faded garment which has seen its best day and has now become useless.

In a feature article of the October issue of *The Baptist Program*, a publication designed for pastors and church staffs, the writer, Tobin Druin, makes a strong plea for Baptist state papers and their continued existence, irrespective of mounting publication costs. He quoted John Hurt, editor of the *Baptist Standard*; "Southern Baptists without their state Baptist papers would be as dangerous as an automobile without a steering wheel. They would go in just as many directions and make just as much progress."

The editor of the *Mississippi Baptist Record*, Joe Odle, echoed Hurt's view of the papers as a unifying force and underscored the value of their diversity.

"Each paper is different so that there is no 'in-house promotion sheet' situation," Odle said. "Editors are free to promote what they will, criticize what they will, and say what they feel concerning plans, programs, and the like. This is essential for really keeping a check on what is going on."

Secular journals, as well as religious journals, are being pushed to the wall. One of the chief forces is the increased

costs of postage. As of January 5, 1974, newspapers and magazines will be hit with an added 38.6 per cent postal increase on top of a whopping 125 per cent rise already being phased in over a five-year period. According to *Newsweek* magazine, "the currently scheduled increases alone will drive numerous publications out of business."

Marse Grant, editor of the *Biblical Recorder* in North Carolina as quoted in the *Baptist Program* article, "Costs will continue to rise, but some way must be found to keep Baptist state papers strong, independent and effective."

The Baptist state papers are not the best in the field of journals nor are they the worst. They are woefully lacking in many ways. Their problem, since their inception, has been insufficient financial resources. Therefore, the increased costs of publication is not a new ball game for them, but today's costs are unprecedented. Baptists must insure their continuing existence, for the day they leave the field, you are going to find left field, right field and the infield so messed up, no one can play it. Besides, how are you going to tell the players — without a score card or program?

J.F.C.

### Guest Editorial

## "Ya Gotta Wanta"

**Paul Stevens, in BEAM International, Radio and Television Commission, SBC**

Forty years of caring led me to the philosophy, "Ya gotta wanta." If a person is not willing to do what he has to do, then he deserves whatever curves life throws him.

Ya gotta wanta be God's man or woman — badly enough to check in with Him every day of your life to find and do His will.

Ya gotta wanta be respected by your fellow man — badly enough to pay the price of honesty, integrity and personal involvement.

Ya gotta wanta be somebody making the world a better place because you've been there — even if it costs you time and money in preparation and training in your chosen vocation. It's the only philosophy I know that is

basic to all happiness and success.

If that thesis is true, then our industry will make its greatest gains as a result of really wanting to make a worthwhile contribution to the American people. Ya gotta wanta see America fulfill her promises of being the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Ya gotta wanta see the minority groups of our land living in dignity as productive individuals. Ya gotta wanta see men put before money and honor put before personal gain.

We dominate the information sources of this nation and if we don't want to do the right thing for our country, we are all going down the drain of history.

"Lord God of hosts be with us yet, Lest we forget. Lest we forget."

### NEWEST BOOKS

## New Book Written Just For The Church Secretary

**CHURCH SECRETARY: GIRL FRIDAY SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MONDAY. . .** by Lucy Renfro Hoskins (Convention Press, 137 pp., paper)

Here's the book written just for the church secretary. It is a procedural guide, reference book, ego-builder, problem-solver, and time-saver — and more, and will be a welcome addition to the secretary's desk top.

**WILL ROGERS: THE MAN AND HIS TIMES** by Richard M. Ketchum (McGraw-Hill, 415 pp., \$15 until Dec. 31; \$17.50 thereafter) The life of a man who was this country's pre-eminent humorist for much of the first third of this century — a lovable, irrepressible character who was the down-to-earth, horse-sense conscience of the nation — rises in word and pictures from the pages of this book. As the author, a senior editor of American Heritage Publishing Co. and a distinguished historian, notes, "No one ever had the same hold on the American public that Will Rogers did. Nearly four decades after his death, people still recall the shy grin, the easy manner, the total absence of sham, and above all, the way he had of putting things that went to the very heart of the matter." Sparkling with humor, thoroughly researched, vivid in style and abundantly illustrated, this book brings back the peak days of the wild-west shows, vaudeville, and Broadway extravaganzas — and of the silent movies, early talkies, and radio in which Will Rogers pioneered. Part-Cherokee, frontier-raised, he was also an early booster of aviation, a worldwide traveler, a great political reporter and commentator, a friend of four Presidents and uncrowned statesmen, politicians, and prominent figures. But first and last, he was every average American's witty, telling spokesman. Many of his most devastating comments have become strikingly topical, once again, today.

**127 IDEAS FOR PROMOTING CHURCH TRAINING** by Mary E. Allen (Convention Press, paper, 82 pp.)

Here is a long list of ideas for promoting Church Training. To enlist people, the book suggests, you might try quickies, handouts, mailouts, posters, telephone, skits, visitation, fellowship, projects, mass media, or potluck. Each of these suggestions has a whole chapter given to it.

**DRUGS AT MY DOOR STEP** by Ark Linkletter (Word Books, 186 pp., \$5.95) Mr. Linkletter shares his personal tragedy of the loss of his young daughter as a result of her use of drugs. He analyzes the dilemmas that stem from drug abuse and suggests some possible solutions. A section is devoted to specifics such as where to go for more information about drugs; how to select a drug-abuse film; what a parent can do to help a child who becomes involved with drugs; what kinds of community organizations seem to be most helpful in combating drug abuse. The purpose is of this book, Mr. Linkletter says, is to help restore the basic concept of shared veneration between parent and child.

**THE SPEAKER'S SOURCE BOOK** by Herbert V. Frochnow (Baker, 312 pp., \$2.95) Reprint of a widely used book containing hundreds of stories, quotations, and other materials for the use of anyone who speaks.

**FEED WHOSE SHEEP?** by Paul D. Lowder (Word, 127 pp., \$3.95) A Methodist minister looks at the problems which arise in the relationships between a pastor and his people. A frank and open appraisal of numerous church problems of our day. The book is prepared with questions so that it can be used by discussion groups.

**BIBLE STORIES: GOD AT WORK WITH MAN** by Mary Alice Jones (Abingdon, 79 pp., \$3.95) Stories of some of the great characters of the Bible have been woven into delightful stories for children. The book is illustrated with numerous attractive drawings, some of which are in color.

**ARMED WITH LOVE** by Gerald N. Battle (Abingdon, 222 pp., \$4.95) Stories of the twelve disciples told as if written by the men themselves. Their character and experiences as followers of the Lord are clearly and effectively presented. This book will help any reader to become better acquainted with those men whom Christ chose to walk with him.

**FREE TO DO RIGHT** by David Field (InterVarsity, 111 pp., \$1.25) Christians are free to do right, are they free to do wrong? Here is frank and open discussion of how to deal with moral choices in the light of Christian faith.

**NEW WAYS TO WORSHIP** by James L. Christensen (Revell, 224 pp., \$5.95) A guide to planning meaningful worship services. Actually this is a resource book presenting numerous ideas on making contemporary worship services most effective. The book is divided into sections, showing how worship can become involved in different areas of life. The suggestion is made that the materials can be used to create a contemporary atmosphere in the church and bring excitement to its worship program.

**FAITH THAT PREVAILS** by Smith Wigglesworth (Gospel Publishing House, 64 pp., \$1.75) Reprint of a book published several years ago showing the meaning and power of Christian faith.

**HYMNS TO KNOW AND SING** by Jimmy R. Key and Vivian Blackney (Convention Press, paper, 32pp.)

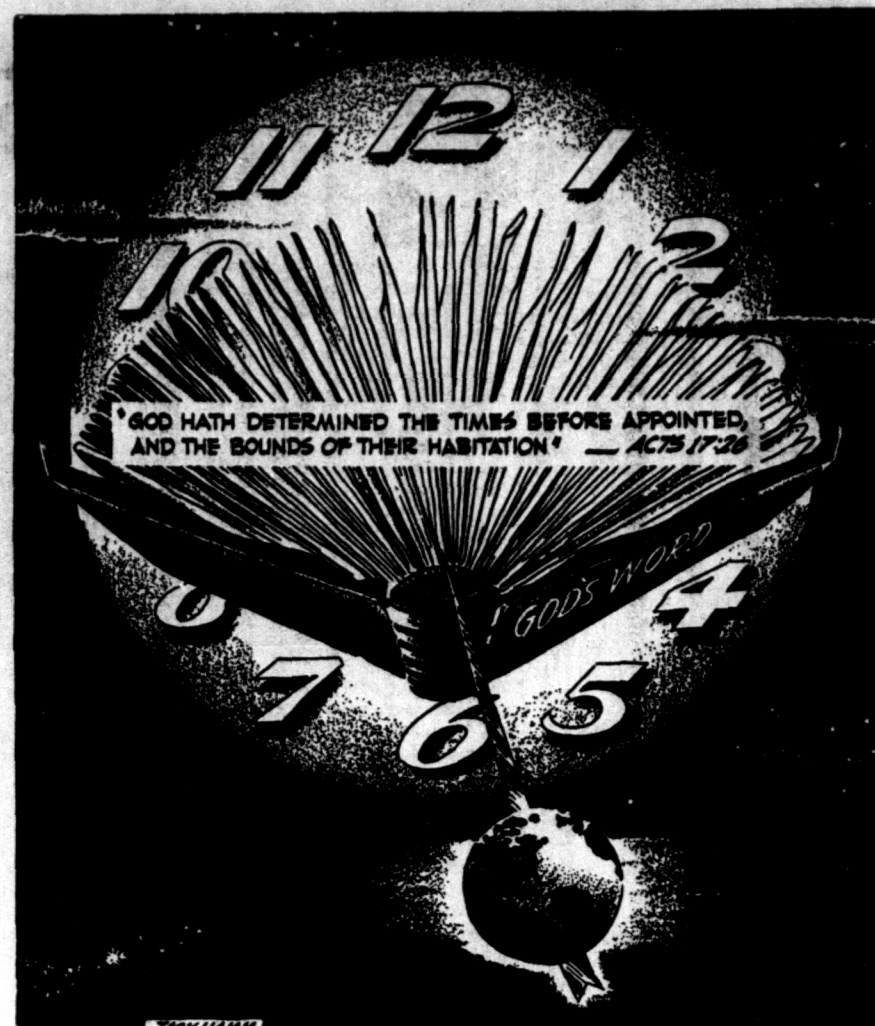
Eight hymns, hymn stories and puzzles, are included in this book for first, second, and third graders. The purpose is to help children learn to sing these hymns in a joyful manner. (A record of the hymns is also included.)

**PLEASE, CAN I COME HOME? NO, YOU CAN'T COME HOME!** by Norma Steven (Fleming H. Revell, paper, 126 pp., \$1.95) A college girl writes letters home when she is homesick and begs to come home. Her mother gives her advice and counsel through letters, but tells her firmly she can't come home! The daughter is now a senior at Seattle Pacific College, and the mother is a missionary with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

**NO EASY GAME** by Terry Bradshaw with Charles Paul Conn (Fleming H. Revell, \$4.95, 160 pp.)

This is the story of Terry Bradshaw, pro-football player and Southern Baptist. Terry says that neither football or living the Christian life is an easy game. It takes a tough individual to win at either. He says, "It can be done though, not by beating the next guy at it, or by making some kind of super accomplishment in the church, but simply by sticking with it — keeping God in your life — all the way through."

**3's A CROWD** by Pauline Clement (Good News, paper, 95 cents, 93 pp.)  
A novel for teens. Runaways discover a place called love.



## So Goes the Pendulum

### THE BAPTIST FORUM

#### Reader Believes In Christian Advertising

Dear Editor:

Greetings in Jesus' name. I have been reading the Baptist Record for years. In fact, it was the first piece of Christian literature I ever saw, apart from my Sunday School book. Many items have been a blessing.

In the October 11 issue, there was a column titled, "Bumper Stickers," in which the writer seems to be against Christian bumper stickers. He intimated that he was sold on Christian living rather than wearing badges. I agree. I have never been sold on the bumper sticker. "My God is Not Dead — Sorry About Yours." But why discourage people from using good bumper stickers? Why doesn't this writer publish a column about Christians wearing Mason rings, and all kinds of bumper stickers of all kinds of worldliness?

The old slogan, "It Pays to Advertise," really gets the job done for the liquor, beer, and cigarettes. They go further than just drinking, smoking, and using their products. They advertise, too.

Why can't it pay to advertise for the Lord? I have known people to be saved from seeing a Christian advertisement. I believe the devil has really got Christians quenching on this advertising, by someone criticizing. We let the devil take over. Christians will advertise everything else, so let's put on an advertising campaign for the Glory of the Lord. That is part of Christian living.

Carey Paul Douglas  
Box 158  
Wesson, Ms.

### On The MORAL SCENE...

**Church Lobby**—(Lake Winnepesaukee, N. H.) — "The Indochina War could have been over in 1968 or 1970 if religious groups had decided to change the Congress and its stand," says Father Robert Drinan, a Jesuit Priest who is a Massachusetts Congressman. Drinan called for a united church lobby in Washington and across the country. . . . The former dean of the Boston College (law) school said, "Now we must make a concerted, creative effort to get people in the Congress who agree with our priorities of peace and justice. We can't leave the political process to the politicians." — (Friends Committee on National Legislation)

**The Prescription Ripoff** — "Americans spend about \$7 billion a year on prescription drugs — \$33 for each man, woman and child — and, according to a study by New York Senator Benjamin Rosenthal, are being overcharged by about 25%. Prohibition of retail advertising, overprotective patent laws, excessive promotional costs and unreasonable markups (often as high as 200%) all contribute to the unnecessary costs, says Rosenthal. He also found that drug prices vary greatly from store to store and even from customer to customer." — (Everybody's Money, p. 7, Autumn 1973)

**Race Track Chaplain** — Louisville, Ky. (AP) — Churchill Downs will have the services of a full-time chaplain in the stable area when racing opens this fall. Rev. Charles Brickley, a member of the Race Track Chaplaincy of America, will arrive October 2 and will serve personnel on the back stretch. Downs President Lynn Stone said, "Most of these employees are away from home and we are hopeful the RTC will be able to provide service in time of need." — (The Nashville Banner, September 25, 1973)

**Black Educators** — "The average black Ph.D. holder who teaches in a university receives about 16 job offers a year, according to a study of black Ph.D.'s just completed by Kent G. Mommensen of the University of Utah. The study additionally reported that the black Ph.D. would not consider any of those jobs unless it offered \$6,000 above his present salary. This is especially true of black social scientists, who, as a group, are now earning about \$27,000 a year." — (By David Armer in Race Relations Reporter)



### A Woman's World Reaches Far Beyond the Ironing Board

Wilda Fancher

All my life I have heard of ESP, but it was just last week that I came into knowledge of TSP.

I learned the hard way.

If you live in a white house set in a thicket of pine trees and have several vacant heavily-wooded lots (which you like so well you hope they never will be cleared) nearby and a drainage ditch (which you also like) running by the end of your lot, you participate in several seasonal skirmishes. Skirmishes like dead patches of grass because of lack of sun, weeds choking out grass, bugs eating flowers and shrubs (and you, too, if you're outside much), and other regular problems.

However, real battles lie in the fact that several enemies are not seasonal, unless you call them seasonal. Pine trees are always throwing something down on you. I'm sure the things are seasonal for them but turn out to be year-round for you. Pine straw may be heavier at times than at others, but it's always a weapon, as are cones and falling limbs. Special targets for all these missiles are gutters, porches and patios, walks and driveways, and whatever is left of your lawn.

There is absolutely nothing covert about pine trees — they're out in the open about it all. Your major weapon is a rake. On certain days you may be tempted to take them all with one fell swoop of your power saw. On such days it is good to consider how long it takes a tree to grow.

Mildew is an enemy of opposite methods. You have the feeling it's there, but you can't see it. A little later, even, you can't really be sure it's there without scrutiny of the closest kind. Even then mildew looks harmless enough. At repeated intervals you look at it again, still unable to believe it will really amount to very much. Suddenly you one day realize that, sure enough, a little thing like mildew has, in no uncertain terms, got the upper hand, so you look for a weapon. That's how we learned about TSP, tri-sodium phosphate, the chemists' provision for people in fighting mildew. I almost said "conquering" mildew, but that would be a claim beyond clinical research to prove, I fear. It took us two-and-a-half days of steady, hard scrubbing to clean the outside walls of our house. This was last week; already, though, James and I can see the mildew starting on its sneaky way. Else, we have a lot of spots in front of our eyes.

As I scrubbed off mildew, I thought about the different kinds of mildew, so to speak, people have to fight with in their minds and hearts. Know what I decided my mildew is? Laziness. I've been telling myself for several years that I need a lot of resting. What it really is, though, is that I mildew easily with laziness. TSP for that, I guess, might be Thorough, Steady Plodding.

What's your mildew? And its TSP?

"If things won't come your way, go after them." — Fred W. Grown, The Bergen (N. J.) Citizen.

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Arthur Blessitt in Washington, D. C. in the spring of 1972, after he had walked from California across the United States, carrying with him a 90-lb. cross.



Arthur Blessitt (a Mississippian), his wife, Sherry, and children, Gina, Joel, Joy, and Joshua, arrive in Britain, along with staff members of the Blessitt Evangelistic Association.



Arthur Blessitt in Ireland, 1972. Mr. Blessitt has long term plans for walking around the world, carrying the cross with him, and witnessing along the way. He has crossed the U.S., Ireland, England, France, and Spain, and is now in Africa.

## On His Way Around The World

# Arthur Blessitt Leaves Deep Imprint On Spain

**By Indy Whitten**  
Southern Baptist missionary in Spain

When Arthur Blessitt walked across the Spanish border in October of 1972, he immediately faced a "selling job." Unknown to Spanish people in general and looked upon by many evangelical leaders as "far out" in his methods, his first hurdle was to demonstrate by spoken message and by lifestyle the genuineness of the mission that had brought him to Spain.

Arthur Blessitt faced this obstacle with calm assurance — not the least bit surprised by it. In fact, he rather expected such to greet him at every border.

The cross in Spain is not unknown. So common is its usage that the presence of a cross might not produce any more response than a balcony, a steeple or any other part of a building.

Arthur Blessitt walked across the border, and he carried a rude, wooden 90-lb cross. At his side proudly walked his six year-old son, Joey; and behind them came Arthur's wife, Sherry and the three other children, in a Land Rover, pulling a house trailer. It seemed that their documents were all in order, but all eyes were fixed on Arthur and the cross. Just a few hundred yards down the road the police appeared and "arrested" the cross, on the grounds of insufficient permission to

carry out a religious act in Spain. The cross was taken to a police station and held for more than forty-eight hours. Spanish evangelical leaders in the northern area and from Madrid set about trying to secure the release of Arthur's personal property. Soon the family was on its way, zig-zag fashion, across the northern coast and southward to Madrid.

The procedure was simply that of setting up housekeeping in Spain — but on wheels. Every morning Sherry Blessitt drove the Land Rover a distance of ten miles and parked on the side of the road to wait for Arthur to carry the cross that distance, before lunch. In the afternoon she went ten miles further up the road and Arthur covered the second ten miles. Sherry's responsibility was to keep the house, teach the children and distribute literature to anybody who came by where the trailer was parked.

The most immediate conclusion of the Spanish people was that Arthur had made a vow to carry the cross around the world. He explained countless times, "I am doing this — not in penance or in sacrifice but in the joyful service of the Lord." In fact he explained this so often the he learned how to say it perfectly in Spanish and even his little son, Joey, could do the same. The cross was the point of contact with the people and was used only for the purpose of getting their attention.

As he walked along the highway, Arthur was often followed by a group of eager people. He used red stickers with evangelistic phrases to stick on everyone he met. These phrases were, "Turn on to Jesus," "Smile, God loves you," and "Jesus is the Way."

As he went along the highway, he often stopped to talk with people on the road or detoured into the fields to talk to farmers or shepherds to tell them about God's plan of salvation. When a group of people formed around him, Arthur prayed with and for them, and his prayer was translated into Spanish by some missionary or national Christian who was with him on the walk that day.

As he came to a town or a city, Arthur and the group he gathered together went up and down the streets, piper fashion. Every open door, whether it be a private home, a store or a bar, furnished a place to witness. It was not uncommon to see Arthur leaning across some bar, having prayer with the bartender.

All along the way people came out to meet him and invite him to come into private homes; into schools, into monasteries; into factories and into cultural centers.

From the beginning the press took notice of Arthur Blessitt, and as he walked toward Madrid, each city anticipated his coming. By the time he arrived in the capital of the country, in early November, his picture had

been printed in the newspapers along the way and even made the front cover of the ABC, Madrid's leading newspaper in circulation and perhaps in prestige. A brief report of his activities had been given on T.V.

As the Blessitts drew near to Madrid, there was great rejoicing among the Christians of all the churches. His plan was to go into Madrid on the highway from the north, cross the city and go to Plaza Mayor, the heart of "old Madrid," where he would preach to the people. The day came and the march took place. Thousands of people marched behind Arthur Blessitt as he carried the cross through the principal streets and up to a monument in the center of the old square, where centuries before the Spanish Inquisition took place. Everybody was wondering if such a service would be permitted in the light of past history.

Just as Arthur, Sherry and the translator were in the center of the square, surrounded by more than four thousand people, the sirens of Spanish police cars were heard as they screamed into the plaza. Arthur and the translator tried to explain that they were in possession of the required permission, but were not allowed to finish. Arthur embraced the cross and by force was torn away from it and taken to jail. As darkness fell, the cross stood forlorn and abandoned against the monument of Charles III,

as the policemen tried to disperse the crowds.

But that was not where the story ended. The American Embassy helped to get Arthur Blessitt released from jail. Some of the Christian leaders went around among the crowd and told everybody to go to the biggest evangelical church available in the center of the city. In a few minutes the church was filled to overflowing with Christian people, who began a great prayer meeting. They prayed for Arthur Blessitt's release and prayed that nobody would hate the policemen, who were only carrying out orders. Within thirty minutes, a cry went through the crowd that Arthur was coming. In he came, along with Sherry, the translator and a few young men. They were carrying the cross triumphantly, above their heads. Arthur came to the platform and preached. When the invitation was given, the aisles were filled with people who made a profession of faith.

Actually, what started out to be a sad occasion was turned into a great victory. The news spread all over the country. The cross and the ministry of Arthur Blessitt became dinner-table conversation. The word "Baptist" was frequently seen in the newspaper. The Blessitt family was featured as six people who did things together, loved each other and intended to stay together always in the service of the Lord.

When the cross was released on Saturday night, Arthur was told that he should not try to make other appearances with it in Madrid. He could have refused to heed that suggestion. He was by no means afraid of imprisonment, but he felt that the Lord led him to make a quiet retreat from the city and continue on his march with the cross. He preached on Sunday in overcrowded buildings and many people made professions of faith.

He received an invitation to preach in a big Roman Catholic Church at the edge of the city of Madrid. On Thursday of the following week he left the caravan outside the city and went back to preach in the Catholic Church. Not an inch of standing room was available inside and people were all around the church in the garden, as they heard the message by loudspeaker. The message was no different than what Arthur usually preached and when great numbers came forward to profess their faith, he turned to a Roman Catholic priest and asked if it would be all right to counsel with the people in a room behind the platform. The priests immediately responded affirmatively and went back with the group. No doubt this was an absolutely unique experience.

to them, but in the counseling room, they heard the plan of salvation explained again, in all of its simplicity and power.

From Madrid the Blessitts went toward the country of Portugal. On Christmas Day of 1972 they went into Lisbon. All along the way they distributed literature, did personal work and preached to the people. They gave out cards inviting the people to send for a free, correspondence Bible course. Many thousands of these cards were returned from the area between Madrid and the Portuguese border, and the people were enrolled in the Baptist Correspondence Bible Course, directed by Southern Baptist missionaries in Spain.

Time nor space do not permit a recital of the wide variety of experiences which took place during the time Arthur Blessitt spent in Spain. He walked with the Lord all day, and he walked into the hearts of the Spanish people. Often at night when the trailer was parked and the Blessitts attempted to eat or to sleep, great groups of people congregated outside the trailer and begged to hear more or to receive literature. Though Spain is nominally 99% Roman Catholic, hardly more than 10% of the people every go to church. Particularly the young people are disillusioned and bored with the ceremonies of the State church and they flock to see something novel and interesting.

Let the city of Badajoz serve as an example of the kind of thing that happened. When Arthur got to the entrance of the city, he saw two cars parked and a group of people waiting there. They had read about the Blessitts in the paper and they were waiting to invite him to their home. During the entire stay of Arthur and family in Badajoz, this family could not think of enough things to do for them. They invited them to have meals with them; they let the children come over and play in their garden and with the help of a translator they told of their spiritual need and said that they wanted to accept Christ as their Saviour. They offered their friendship and support to the Blessitts and any of their friends. What a wonderful opportunity for missionaries or national leaders to step in and begin a church.

Arthur had to do a "selling job" at the beginning, but by the time he crossed over into Portugal, he left behind a group of people who were sold on his ministry. Almost the universal expression was, "I am quite sure that the Lord will never call me to this type of ministry. But without a doubt Arthur Blessitt is a man with a special ministry. If he did not have the blessings of the Lord and of the Holy Spirit, he could never accomplish even a tiny part of all that we have witnessed during these days."

In retrospect, after more than six months have passed, the good of Arthur Blessitt's visit is still felt. Perhaps

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# Blessitt Now Walking Across Africa

**NOTE:** The following is a letter written to Dr. Wayne Dehoney from Dr. and Mrs. Owen Cooper when they were in Africa in July, 1973.

Dear Friend:  
Recently Mrs. Cooper and I spent two days in Abidjan, Ivory Coast. Much to our surprise and delight, when we arrived, Arthur Blessitt, Sherry and the children were there. This was a delightful reunion for us.

The Blessitt family was staying in one of the apartments which had been vacated by a furloughing missionary. We arrived in Abidjan on Saturday, July 21. The missionaries had just opened up a new preaching center and reading room. Saturday night Arthur took his cross to the reading room and began marching through the area, which is a rather rough area including 4,000 prostitutes. He would walk about two blocks, speaking in a loud speaker and be interpreted into French, the language of the country. A crowd of 100 or 200 would gather about and he would preach to them, requesting all who were serious in inquiring about the Lord to meet him at the newly opened center. He stopped about five times, talking about five minutes each time.

When he arrived at the center there were between 450 and 500 people gathered in the group. Here he preached for about 20 minutes (40 minutes including time for the interpreter).

He gave an invitation and approximately 50 people went into the center, were seated at tables, filled out cards, and acknowledged they were inquirers. From this group, the new center, which had just opened that day, will have a good nucleus to work with.

Sunday was a busy day with Arthur speaking in one of the churches Sunday morning, marching Sunday afternoon, and speaking again in the early evening in a Baptist church.

Monday morning Arthur spent with one of the missionaries readying the Land Rover to continue his march eastward from Abidjan to the border of Ghana, approximately 80 miles. Along the way he was to stop in several villages. One of the missionaries felt that at least four Bible study groups will be organized as a result of this 80-mile march.

## Mark Your Calendar

The Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions is December 2-9, 1973.



Mr. Blessitt's family lived in the van shown above and followed him as he crossed the United States. In Spain they lived in a house trailer drawn by a Land Rover.

The bridge across the lagoon which separates Ivory Coast from Ghana was burned out so he was to take the Land Rover with his family and make a 350-mile trip around the lagoon to get to the other side. Then he would start the march from the west coast of Ghana toward Accra, the capital, then on to Nigeria.

While in Accra he will make some side trips for preaching in several inland places. He estimates he will be in Ghana approximately 30 days. While in Ghana his address is as follows:

Baptist Mission  
Box 6776  
Accra, Ghana, Africa  
Arthur's long term plans include walking along the west coast of Africa through Nigeria and Cameroon November 4-10.

## Missionary Hayes To Speak At Friendship (Pike)

Rev. Herman Hayes, missionary home on furlough from Vietnam, will speak at Friendship Church, Pike County, November 4. The church will be observing R. A. Focus Week, November 4-10.

The Royal Ambassadors will serve as ushers and lead the responsive reading for the morning worship hour, November 4. They will present the prayer calendar for the week at the mid-week worship hour, and on November 8, they will enjoy a "Father and Son" Hamburger Supper and skating party.

Bob Weber is R. A. director and Rev. H. Glen Schilling is pastor.

turning east there and crossing through Zaire (Congo), several central African countries, and reaching Nairobi on the east coast of Africa in about 15 or 18 months. It's a 3,500 mile journey, often times with only a trail to follow. Both Arthur and the Land Rover will be put to a severe test.

Along the route, with the cooperation of local Christians, Arthur will leave a trail of redeemed souls, re-committed Christians, transformed lives, Bible study groups, personal soul winners, strengthened churches and new Christian work that would reach from New York to San Diego.

Continue to pray for the Blessitts and also continue to remember them with your gifts.

Sincerely,  
Owen and Elizabeth Cooper

Jenny Lind, "the Swedish nightingale," having left opera to sing in concerts, made her American debut at Castle Garden, New York City, on Sept. 11, 1850.

# Charitable Bequests—Life Insurance

**By Larry K. Voas,**  
First Church, Biloxi

Many people would like to leave some material goods to their favorite charity after departing this life. For some, this can be accomplished through bequests in their wills and gifts made in trust. Advanced planning with these "vehicles" can save on estate taxes and administrative expenses associated with the "cost of dying." In fact, the dollars saved by careful planning can sometimes amount to the equivalent of a substantial bequest.

A widely known but little used vehicle for charitable bequests is life insurance. Assuming the charity is both owner and beneficiary of the policy, many advantages may be gained by both insured and charity through the use of "charitable" life insurance.

(Ownership means the charity can exercise all policy rights on its own, i.e., borrow policy cash values, assign policy as collateral, designate policy settlement provisions, etc.)

First, the insured will be able to deduct premiums from his income tax as a charitable gift thus gaining a present tax benefit for himself. Upon death of insured, policy proceeds

will not be subject to inclusion in insured's estate; thus estate taxes and administrative costs will be avoided. In addition, charity will immediately receive cash directly from insurance company. No delay or "red tape" will be involved. And charity will have the use of the life insurance company's investment facilities through use of various policy settlement options.

Since the premiums are out of current income, the possibility of one's heirs reducing the bequest after insured's death is "checkmated." In fact, the chance of "family friction" over estate assets going to a charity is reduced to a minute possibility. As for your estate's creditors, they will also be denied the chance to reduce or diminish your charitable bequest.

The installment method of premium payment allows people of moderate income to also provide a charitable bequest. Depending on insured's age, policy will complete the bequest even if insured is totally disabled. In addition, this can be done in a completely private and confidential manner with no public record ever required.

As for the charity, they will have current use of policy cash values. Thus a present day benefit not associ-

ated with most charitable bequests.

Life insurance policies for charitable bequests will come from one of two sources, i.e., current policies and the purchase of new policies. Policies purchased in previous years which no longer serve the purpose intended could be transferred to the charity. Care should be exercised before transferring any current policy over to one's charity since once transferred, it cannot be regained. The advice of your life insurance agent should be sought when considering this action. With regard to a new policy, your age and current health will have a bearing upon this consideration. Most insurance companies write policies up to age 70. Due to the favorable income and estate tax treatment of these policies, persons in their 60's should not think of themselves as "too old" to use this vehicle for a charitable bequest. Your life insurance agent along with other advisors can help you decide whether or not it will be the best way for you to make your charitable gift.

It should be kept in mind that charities need both income and capital dollars. Your current gifts are the income dollars which allow the charity to run its day to day operations. Cap-

ital dollars provide for items such as land, buildings, equipment, etc. If enough concerned people would make charitable bequests through wills, trusts and life insurance, the steady flow of these funds would provide the capital dollars necessary for expansion of capital facilities. Presently, most charities have to divert money needed for current expenses to fund capital projects. Thus, both current and capital needs suffer. As a steward of your assets, you are the one who can solve the charitable institution's problem of capital needs.

An estate planning session next week with one's tax attorney, trust officer or life underwriter would not be too soon if one is really serious about a charitable bequest. "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven." (Ecc. 3: 1). This may be your time to establish a charitable bequest.

Albert Einstein wrote to President Roosevelt on Aug. 2, 1939 to tell him that atomic fission could be used to make bombs and that two German physicists had achieved fission of uranium.



## Prospective Student Day At Carey

## "Break Away For A Day" November 17

BREAK AWAY FOR A DAY is the theme set by officials at William Carey College for the annual Prospective Student Day planned for Saturday, November 17.

Beginning with registration and refreshments at 9:30 a.m. in Wilkes Dining Hall, visiting high school and junior college students will be met and welcomed by faculty, staff and student leaders. Campus tours and a program designed to be an orientation to college life will be presented to all young people in attendance.

A free lunch will be served by Morrison's Food Service at noon in the campus dining hall. Following lunch the William Carey College Chorale will be heard in concert under the direction of Dr. Donald Winters, dean of the School of Music. During the morning hours auditions for music grants will be conducted in Thomas Fine Arts Building.

The climax of the day's activities for the Prospective Student Day '73 will be a coffeehouse at 2 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by numerous Carey students.

All high school students in the area plus all junior college sophomores are urged to contact the Admissions Office for reservations. Mrs. Donna Wheeler is director of admissions. Interested students are invited to call 582-5051 for reservations or write William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Ms. 39401.

**SEMARANG, Indonesia** — William N. McElrath, missionary to Indonesia, and Billy Mathias, an Indonesian Baptist pastor, are coauthors of an Indonesian Bible dictionary, "Ensiklopedia Alkitab Praktis." It contains more than 2,500 entries and took six years to complete. According to McElrath, this is the first practical Bible encyclopedia or dictionary published in the Indonesian language.

**MANGILAO, Guam** — Baptists here have completed construction of a youth building and are now building a new student center. The youth building is an addition to the Tamuning Baptist Church and features class and office space as well as a fellowship hall. The student center building at the University of Guam is for the Student Bible Fellowship, the Baptist organization on campus which gained student body recognition in April. Presently this ministry is being conducted from the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Brizendine, Southern Baptist missionaries.

Aaron Burr was tried for treason on Aug. 3, 1807. He was accused of planning to form a Western empire through seizure of Spanish possessions in Mexico and the Southwest (a misdemeanor) and separating the Western states from the U. S. (treason). After acquittal on Sept. 1, Burr went to Europe to avoid prosecution for murder of Alexander Hamilton.

## Football, Voices Singing "He Lives" Spark Excitement In George Fields

George Fields likes excitement. He's excited by the roar of a crowd at a football game, by voices singing "He Lives" at a revival crusade, or by his two children yelling "daddy" when he gets home.

Born in McComb, Mississippi 28 years ago, Fields' life has been filled with excitement. During his senior year of high school in Ferriday, Louisiana he was Most Valuable Player. He combined music with athletics while attending Mississippi College on a football scholarship and began working with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), conducting speaking and singing meetings.

Before enrolling at Southern Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky George considered working on the FCA staff. However, after praying about the matter he decided to go back to school. "I always wanted to go back to school. God was leading me to go back," he said.

Fields is the son and brother of Baptist preachers. His father works with rural pastors in Alexandria, Louisiana and his brother Larry is pastor at Summit,

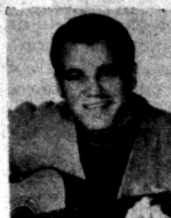
Ms. George does not believe God is leading him into the pastorate however, but toward pastoral care or campus ministries. His seminary field education is in psychology of religion at the Melbourne Heights Baptist Church.

"I'm a great believer in the leadership of God in a person's life," Fields said. "God cares about me every moment of every day. I've got a part in that too, I must reach out to him."

In reaching out to God, Fields also reaches out to people. His work with New York youth while stationed at the Army's Ft. Wadsworth on Staten Island brought such public attention that he was knighted into the Knights of Malta, Order of St. John, a Christian-oriented honorary service organization. The Junior Chamber of Commerce in Mississippi also contributed his name to Outstanding Young Men of America in 1971 and 1972.

A part of Fields' excitement is recorded on his latest record "By George" released in March. During his work at the seminary, Fields plans to continue sharing the excitement of Christ in his life through speaking and singing in conferences, rallies and youth meetings.

His work with local churches, FCA, and Bill Glass crusades helped to make Fields an exciting fellow. But the foundation of his excitement, he said, is Jesus Christ.



## Baptists In West Germany Adopt Open Air Baptisms

**LANGESUND, Norway (BP)** — When the churches in West Germany's Ruhr area had their first simultaneous evangelistic crusade five years ago, public "open-air" baptisms were almost "unthinkable," according to Gunter Wieske, chairman of the European Baptist Evangelism Committee here.

West German congregations, however, are becoming more open in professing their faith in Christ, Wieske said in a report in European Baptist Press Service.

When a Baptist layman offered facilities near a small artificial lake as a site for a youth rally, 800 to 1,000 young people came. Six young Christians gave testimonies before being baptized in the lake.

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## Today's Youth

## Oakland Church Presents The Hudson Singers

The Hudson Singers have been singing and travelling together for two and one-half years. These young people, a gospel singing group, have been on television several times and were on WPCP Houston about a year. Also they have recorded two long-play albums. In singing and witnessing in various churches, they have seen many professions of faith and-or rededications of lives.

The group has seven in it: Linda Maupin, 23; Sheila Hudson, 15, Randy

Hudson, 18; Timothy Hudson, 10; David Jordan, 15; Steve Booker, 17; Raymond Maupin, 36. Linda, Sheila, Randy, and Timothy, make up a quartet. The Singers are members of Oakland Church, Walnut, Rev. John Hudson, pastor.

The Hudson Singers may be contacted for engagements by writing to John Hudson, Route 1, Box 74, Walnut, Ms. or phoning him at 223-5893. (They do not charge a fee to sing, but come on free will offerings.)



The Hudson Singers



## Bay Springs Youth Choir Begins Third Year

Bay Springs Church Youth Choir, under direction of Miss Josephine D'Arpa, is beginning the third year of organized work. During the past year they have led the church music each Sunday night, and have provided special music for every service. They have also presented two folk musicals at their own church; at First Church, Raleigh; and at an associational youth night meeting. The group is pictured above in a rehearsal of "Lightshine." They sang at Louisa Church during a laymen-led revival. Miss D'Arpa, member of the Carey College faculty, is minister of music at Bay Springs. Rev. D. D. Satterwhite is the pastor.

## "Oklahoma!"—Coming Up At Blue Mountain Nov. 15, 16, 17

**OKLAHOMA!** Rogers and Hammerstein's musical, is the highlight of the fall activities now being planned at Blue Mountain College.

An exciting story set in the Indian territory at the turn of the century, **OKLAHOMA!** promises to afford a most enjoyable evening of entertainment. The production, directed by Diane Saucier of Blue Mountain College's Speech and Drama Department includes such well-loved songs as "Oh, What a Beautiful Morning," "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top," "The People Will Say We're in Love" of course, "Oklahoma!"

Mrs. Saucier, assisted by Linda Hamill of Union, and Teresa LaFayette, Blytheville, Arkansas, has brought together a group of the most sparklingly talented and vivacious young people ever presented on Garrett's stage. Jerry Beatty, a music ma-

yor from New Albany, does a beautiful interpretation of Curly, the handsome young cowboy. Opposite him is the ever charming Evelyn Huddleston, West Point, as Laurey. Liz Young of Corinth, as Aunt Ellen gives the stage that homespun flavor of grandma's apron and homemade apple pie.

Will Parker and Slim, two of Curly's "sidekicks" are played by Joe Ard of Oxford and Larry McCreary, who hails from Missouri. Cindy Boyd of Memphis, Tennessee gives a bubbly performance as Ado Annie, and Robert Gillis of Columbus will tickle your innards as Ali Hakim.

Tickets are available now and the public is invited. For reservations contact Carla Benson, Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Ms. 38610 or phone 685-5711. That's November 15, 16, and 17 at Blue Mountain College's Garrett Auditorium, 8:00 p.m.

## Annual High School Day At MC Scheduled For December 1

When high school students from throughout Mississippi visit Mississippi College on Saturday, Dec. 1, for the annual High School Day activities there are two students they will be sure to meet.

The duo is Annette Forsythe of Biloxi and Lee Dukes of Clinton, co-chairmen for the day's activities.

Miss Forsythe and Dukes have indicated they want to meet every visitor to the campus on that day and it's almost a sure bet they'll do it. They love people.

"We have planned the program in such a way that we should have a chance to come in contact with every visiting high schooler who is on campus that day," said the co-chairmen. "We're determined to make this the best High School Day program ever," they volunteered, "and we want to

make sure that every visitor feels welcome to our campus and knows that we are interested in them as individuals."

The two collegians have planned an agenda that includes discussion of major fields, job opportunities available in certain majors, what to expect in studies on the college level, visits with department heads, a campus tour via slide presentation, visit to the Computer Center, club and organizational exhibits, a free lunch, and a performance of the drama production "Courage."

Miss Forsythe graduated from Biloxi High School and has been active in various activities at Mississippi College. She is a member of the La-

## Portuguese Seminary In Fifth Year

Ceremonies on October 2 opened with the fifth year of operation for the Portuguese Baptist Theological Seminary in Queluz.

Dr. James Leo Garrett, Director of the J. M. Dawson Church - State Studies at Baylor University and Chairman of the BWA Commission on Cooperative Christianity, was speaker at the services, held with the Queluz Baptist Church near Lisbon.—EBPC

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**KANO, Nigeria**—Although the featured evangelist was absent and rain threatened almost continually, hundreds of Nigerians attended the eight-day Kano Evangelistic Campaign. As one of the 18 Nigerian citywide campaigns, the Kano event included a lay witnessing school and revival. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Humphrey of Amarillo, Tex., were instructors for more than 600 people in the lay witnessing school. Humphrey, president of Texas Baptist Men, based the teachings on the tract "How to Have a Full and Meaningful Life." During the series of revivals led by Rev. Paul O. Ebhomeli and Rev. S. A. Ungbo, more than 300 decision cards were completed. Music for the campaign was conducted by Dr. Paul Stewart, secretary of the Alabama Baptist Convention's music department.

Baptist Student Union, a member of the tennis team and was elected a Sophomore Class Favorite last year.

Dukes, too, was named a Freshman and Sophomore Class Favorite in balloting during election time. He has served as chaplain, and this year is secretary of the "M" Club and also serves as president of the Track Club. He has been the Kissimmee Tribe beau for two years.

The only Mississippi College runner to score in a national track meet, Dukes has lettered two years in cross-country and just recently won the overall state championship in that event. He was an All-Gulf South Conference selection last year.

"We look forward to having students from throughout Mississippi visit us," said the co-chairmen in conclusion, "and hope that they will feel the same warmth and concern on this campus that we felt when we attended a High School Day program."

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These two Mississippi College students, Annette Forsythe of Biloxi and Lee Dukes of Clinton, are co-chairmen for annual High School Day activities scheduled for Saturday, December 1. High schoolers from throughout the state are invited. (M.C. Photo by Bill Strange)



# Life In The Christian Community

By Clifton J. Allen  
Romans 12:1-13;  
1 Corinthians 12:1 to 13:13

The main flow of Paul's thought in his letter to the Romans moves from chapter 8 to chapter 12. At this point he begins a very practical application of the truth of the gospel to Christian conduct. The gospel of salvation includes both how one is saved from sin and how one should live before the world. Paul places much emphasis on the Christian's interpersonal relationships, with fellow Christians and also with unbelievers. We cannot separate the doctrine of justification by faith and salvation by grace from the doctrine of the Christian life, which should be marked by moral



al integrity and purity, a ministry of compassion to other persons, and regard for one's influence and responsibility in the world.

**The Lesson Explained**  
**SELF-GIVING TO GOD (Rom. 12:1-2)**  
One should observe the "therefore." It points back to all the wondrous realities of the grace of God which Paul has dealt with in the earlier chapters. Paul has in mind, chiefly, the mercies of God's saving work in Christ. In gratitude for these we should present our bodies as a "living sacrifice." The whole life is to be given to God — body, mind, and spirit — all to be given on the altar of service. The body is indeed holy, that is, it belongs to God. On this basis, it cannot be given over to sin — to lust, covetousness, hatred, or dissipation. One's life thus given to God is an offering of spiritual worship. No Christian should allow himself to be

conformed to this world. Its standards are false and sinful. Its patterns are controlled by Satan. The Christian is to live a transformed life, not in his own strength, but by renewing his mind, that is, by responding to the moral insight and spiritual purpose which are supplied by the Holy Spirit. In this way one finds out the will of God and puts it to the test, all with a view of doing the will of God.

**UNITY AND FAITHFULNESS (Rom. 12:3-8; 1 Cor. 12:13)**  
First, Paul stresses the need for a Christian to think aright about himself. Such an attitude will lead to humility. This does not mean self-depreciation. We should recognize that our capacities are gifts from God. Such an attitude toward oneself is a basis for respect and appreciation toward fellow Christians, especially in the fellowship of a church, which is the body of Christ. Each member

has individuality and responsibility. This means that each member should fulfill faithfully his unique function or use faithfully whatever gift God has given him. The gifts to Christians vary: to one the power to understand and proclaim the will of God; to another the gift of ministering to people; to another the gift of teaching; to another the gift of exhorting or comforting; to another the gift of money for sharing; to another the gift of showing mercy to the sick and poor.

Paul dealt with this same truth in writing to the Corinthians. He emphasized the oneness of the body of Christ in order to encourage spiritual unity among the Christians. Each Christian has received the Holy Spirit by virtue of having been regenerated by the Spirit and thus having been baptized by the Spirit into the body of

Christ. There can be no justification for faction or strife.

**LOVE AMONG CHRISTIANS**  
Life in the Christian community calls for love among Christians. In fact, love is to be the ruling principle of all personal relationships. This is emphasized by Paul in verses 9-13 of Romans 12 and also in 1 Corinthians 13, both passages being included in our larger Bible lesson. Love calls for mutual respect and active goodwill. It must, of course, be genuine, without affection or hypocrisy. Love not only inspires the rejection of what is evil and the choice of what is good; it expresses itself in brotherly love and in deference toward other persons. In other words, love generates the spirit of unselfishness. Love also inspires zeal, patience, fidelity in spiritual devotion, generosity toward those in need, and hospitality. Love is indeed the most excellent way. If Christians are lacking in love toward one another, nothing else will really count to bind them together as one in the Lord or to be acceptable as true servants of the Lord. But love translated into action and made dominant as the principle to guide all interpersonal relationships will create a true fellowship of believers in Christ that will help the Christians to grow and will be an effective witness to the world.



Rev. Bob Maddux with his wife, Billie Faye, and children, Robby, Rachelle, and Regina.

## Pelahatchie Pastor Moves To Montana

A five-year and ten-month pastorate at Pelahatchie Church was concluded October 21 when Rev. Bob Maddux and his family left there to move to Great Falls, Montana, where he will become pastor of First Southern Baptist Church on November 4.

Pelahatchie Church has shown considerable progress under Mr. Maddux's leadership. Sunday School average attendance has increased from 166 in 1968 to 210 in 1973, and church training from 78 to 93. Total receipts jumped from \$36,177 to \$74,866. Mission gifts went from \$11,278 to \$18,454 (with 25% to the Cooperative Program). Total membership has increased from 340 to 394. Additions totaled 152, including 62 by baptism.

Pelahatchie Church was Number One in its category (200-399 members) in 1972 in per capita mission gifts. It was Number Ten overall among

## Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

# Being Sensitive To Personal Needs

By Bill Duncan  
John 4:1-42

A woman was given a list of young women as prospects for her new Sunday School class. When she visited the ladies on the list, she met the same problem with each one. They did not have clothes for themselves or their children. The teacher was moved by their need and determined to do something about it. She went to the pastor and deacons and asked for money for a sewing machine. The machine was bought and she taught the young women how to sew for themselves and their children. The pastor, in sharing the incident, stated: "Our church has seen more conversions out of the 'sewing class' than all the other adult classes combined." The reason is simple. The women saw the church acting out the Gospel it was sharing.



that you are concerned for them as persons. Jesus was friendly to all kinds of people — Roman soldiers, tax collectors, harlots, religious leaders and all a growing attitude of warm friendliness to people that grew out of consistent yielding of ourselves to the love of Christ is the best preparation for effective witnessing.

A person who is concerned about the personal needs of others must realize it is hard to help people. They will lie, steal, hate, worry you, be late, forget and even want all your personal attention. But we must not stop our witness if we do not get an immediate response.

But Jesus used the occasion to show his interest in other people.

In order to be a witness to people you must contact others socially as did Jesus. In other words, to go fishing you go where the fish are. Too many Christians think you have to get people to come to church in order to witness to them. There are some people who will only come to church when there is a funeral, but they would listen to someone talk about Christ in the barber shop, at a coffee shop, or at a ballgame.

Note Jesus did not open the conversation with something like, "Lady, don't you know I am the Messiah and that you should believe in me?" Instead He starts with something she is thinking about — namely water. He lays a simple foundation for further conversation. Too many people fail to establish a common interest before leading to spiritual things. "Many shoot from the hip with a fusillade of Biblical bullets that leaves the victim running for excuses and psychological cover."

Jesus was able to point the woman to her real need (Vs. 16-19) without condemning her. With a sensitivity that only God could have, Jesus detected the woman's adultery and wholesale failure in five marriages. He did not inform her that she was a "dirty sinner." She already knew

that; she needed assistance. Some people in witnessing condemn people to the point that they think Christianity is some kind of rigid and negative code. We need to witness in such a way that the sinner sees who he is but knows that we accept him as a person and want to help, not hurt him.

Many people need to learn how to witness and get the right results. Jesus quietly and steadily brought the woman along in conversation to the real issue: What would she do with Christ Himself? Until you bring your listener to a direct confrontation with Jesus Christ and His claims, you have

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# One Item Every Layman Should Consider in the Church Budget

AN OPEN LETTER FROM  
DAROLD H. MORGAN



Inflation hurts. No one needs to tell you that. It cuts heavily into a family's budget. It makes things cost more... Food... Clothing... Housing... Medicine... EVERYTHING. Inflation makes you whittle away at luxury items in order to provide necessities.

Inflation bites deeply into a church budget too. During the next few weeks, your church will determine its 1974 budget. You'll deal with inflation in every item and have to trim costs wherever you can.

Crucial decisions will be made. The very life of your church depends on how you spend the funds in the budget. One item that needs special consideration is salary compensation for your pastor, other ministers and church employees. How you budget for salary and benefits will affect each of them. Every church wants to do what is fair. Yet, a church can be unfair sometimes and not be aware of it.

As a former pastor, I know how your pastor and staff feel. Rising costs make paying bills hard on them too. I would like to suggest that your church consider

salary increases for each staff member.

Since 1967, inflation has jumped more than 25 per cent nationally. Predictions are that 1973 will register one of the steepest increases ever in the cost of living.

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### Pearl River Has BYW Couples Banquet

The recent associational BYW Couples Banquet at Juniper Grove church Pearl River Association, was the first attempt at any type of married BYW activity on the associational level in the county. Of the nine churches in the association with BYW organizations, eight were represented. On program were Mrs. O. C. Smith, Juniper Grove; Sonny Stuart, First, Poplarville; Elaine and Hollis Byrd, Olive; Rev. James Shumate and Jimmy Wally, Union Church; Rev. Kent McGehee, Gum Pond. Mrs. Bobbie Mills, Juniper Grove, is associational BYW director; Mrs. Johnnie Stewart, Union Church, is associational WMU director.

### Devotional

## Suffering: Christ And Christian

I Peter

By M. W. Hubbell, Pastor, First, Cleveland

If I were to conjugate the verb "to suffer," I would do as any seventh grade grammarian would do:

I suffer                      We suffer  
You suffer                  You suffer  
He, she, it, suffers      They suffer

But correct conjugation as such is not my chief concern — I will leave that to the grammarians. My chief purpose in conjugating is to show that all people suffer. Suffering is everywhere and experienced by everyone. From arthritis and angina to a broken love and an errant child, suffering extends from one end of the continuum to the other.

Interpretations of Christian suffering appear here and there in the New Testament. Notwithstanding we are indebted to Peter (I Peter) for his inspired interpretations of suffering. Among Peter's observations in Christian suffering, are these:

He considered Christ to be the example of suffering. He suffered in the process of offering redemption for mankind and for each individual within mankind. Christ is our example of suffering.

Disciples of the Christ will be required to suffer as they follow Him. Suffering in the Petrine context is that pain, mental or physical, resulting from obedience to Christ. This would exclude aches and pains stemming from membership in the human race or from a misdeed. It would include all suffering coming as a result of a person's doing the will of God.

And God Himself will look with favor on those who suffer for His sake. In fact God will restore, establish, and strengthen those who so suffer.

Shall we seek ways to suffer for His sake? Shall we encourage Christians to suffer? This is hardly necessary since those who do His will will suffer for Him.

Most people would practice economy if they had something left to practice with. Man, being unable to choose between two evils, often hunts for a third.

## Names In The News

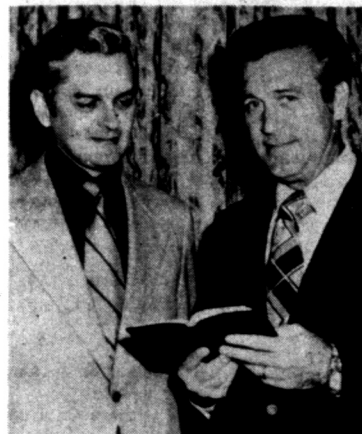


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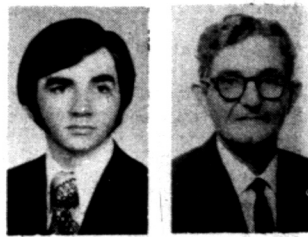
"I realized that my health was bad, my attitude was bad and the only hope I had was turning to the Lord." It was the next Sunday that Reynolds M. Sutterfield joined Forest Hill Church where Rev. Quinton Floyd was the pastor at the time. Now, 21-years later, Mr. Sutterfield has attended church every Sunday without fail. "Times are a little different now than back in 1952 when I first became a Christian," says Mr. Sutterfield. "But for a happy church life, marry a good Christian woman like I did." The Sutterfields have a family of ten who attend church regularly. They reside at 1110 McCluer Road, Jackson.

Dr. Arthur B. Rutledge, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, will be special guest chapel speaker at New Orleans Seminary for the school's semi-annual Missionary Day, Nov. 2.

Martha Gillon, William Carey alumna, has been named to the 1973 listing of Outstanding Young Women in America. Currently employed as history teacher at Burney Junior High School, Miss Gillon also holds the MA in history from the University of Southern Mississippi.



One of the favorite guest speakers of the Blue Mountain College assembly services is Dr. Robert Hamblin, pastor of Harrisburg Church, Tupelo, president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board (right), shown with Dr. E. Harold Fisher, president of the college. For nine years of President's Fisher's administration at Blue Mountain he has invited Dr. Hamblin to speak in assembly.



Rev. Michael Lee Carter, 19, and Rev. T. C. Sandifer, 60, were licensed to the gospel ministry on October 7 at Immanuel Church, Natchez. Mr. Carter, left, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Carter, is a sophomore at University of Southern Mississippi. Mr. Sandifer has served many years as a deacon. Both are available for supply. Any church without a pastor and interested in either of these is encouraged to contact their pastor, Rev. Billy R. Thomas, Immanuel Baptist Church, 301 La Salle, Natchez, Ms. 39120.

Escatawpa Church, Jackson County, recently awarded perfect attendance pins for Sunday School to Betty Hubbard, for 18 years; Mrs. Quinton Kittrell, 13 years; Sandy Kittrell, 13 years; Fred Eckert, nine years; Don Cawthon, nine years; Angela Myers, eight years; Bobby Trehern, five years. Twenty-four others received pins for perfect attendance from one through four years. Rev. Ralph Young is the pastor.



Northcrest Church, Meridian, ordained the above men as deacons on October 14. They are, left to right, Harold Hankins, Harvey Guthrie, L. E. (Larry) Elliott, Jesse Sherrod, and Dewitt Warner. The service consisted of a charge to the candidates by former pastor, Rev. Leonard Holloway; charge to the church by present pastor, Rev. Chris C. Cornelius; ordination sermon by Dr. Lowrey Compere of Clarke College; and ordination prayer led by Tom Limerick, chairman of Northcrest deacons. The ladies of Northcrest honored these men with a Fellowship Tea.

H. Lee Webb, Jr., minister of music of First Church of Lenoir, NC, will be among 52 Centurymen who will participate in a world mission tour and concert program October 30 - November 13. Mr. Webb is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hurst L. Webb of Florence, Ms. The Centurymen is the men's singing group sponsored by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission. The tour, co-sponsored by the Radio - TV Commission and the Foreign Mission Board, SBC, will include concerts in Portugal, Spain, Turkey, and Switzerland.



Charles Edwin Endsley, 18-year-old freshman at William Carey College, is serving Main Street Church, Hattiesburg as organist. The son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Endsley of Texarkana, Arkansas, he is a graduate of Texarkana High School. He is a music major at Carey.

First Church, Biloxi honored two of its staff members on their anniversaries during October. On October 7, Leon Bedsole, minister of music and youth, completed his third year in Biloxi. On October 21, Janet Abernathy, preschool director, completed her first year on the staff. Recognition was given each of these during the morning worship service on their anniversaries and then churchwide reception were held at the conclusion of the days involved. Rev. Frank Gunn is the pastor.

Chaplain Huey D. Perry has been appointed director of chaplaincy services for the Florida Division of Corrections. He has been resident chaplain at Florida Correctional Institution at Lowell, Florida, since 1968. Now he and his wife and daughter, Beth, will be moving to Tallahassee, after the current school year. Graduate of Temple College, Chattanooga, and Southwestern Seminary, he was formerly pastor in Alabama, Florida, Texas, and at Ecru, Mississippi. His mother, Mrs. E. L. Perry, lives at Harrisville. His brother, Bobby, is pastor of First Church, Moss Point, and his brother, Randall, is associate pastor of First Church, Gulfport.

## Blessitt Leaves Deep Imprint On Spain

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it would be helpful to list some of the reasons why his coming blessed Spain as it did:

(1) He interpreted to the people by words and actions the real meaning of the cross. The cross he carried on his shoulder served as an object lesson.

(2) He was a demonstration of the spirit of love and of Christian simplicity. He and his family lived simply; ate Spanish food and trusted in the Lord to provide them with what they needed. Often people offered to give them money, but Arthur kindly explained that he was not making the trip for financial gains.

(3) Everywhere Arthur went, he showed by example the importance of personal evangelism and he introduced into Spanish thinking some new and imaginative ways of communicating the gospel. He also magnified the importance of the laity in witnessing for Christ.

(4) He got the attention of the Spanish people and focused that attention on Christ. This could not have been accomplished so well by more traditional methods.

(5) He received more publicity and a more sustained presentation than any other evangelical Christian in Spain in modern times.

(6) At a time when Spain is just emerging from religious persecution, Arthur Blessitt gave the people heart and showed them that they could do much more than they had ever imagined or attempted.

(7) He showed that the cross can get a hearing in the marketplace and that many people feel the need to investigate to see if that cross could by chance be "the power of God and the wisdom of God."

My husband, Charles, and I were with the Blessitts the day they left Spain and went into Portugal. Arthur, Charles, and John, our son, approached the border on foot. The officers at Customs came out and greeted Arthur most cordially. After receiving the sticker for the cross, as if it were a vehicle, the four of them continued their walk into Portugal.

Sherry, the Blessitt children and I had stayed behind in the city of Badajoz to buy groceries. When everything was loaded into the trailer, we started slowly toward the Portuguese border. People along the way waved and called affectionately to us. Some held out their hands asking for the little round red stickers. Basco, the rabbit that had been given to the children by a family in the northern part of the country, kept jumping on the back of the seat and settling down on my shoulder. We thought we heard

the little new puppy, Jeremiah, as he barked inside the trailer. As we approached the Portuguese border we saw Charles and John, on their way back into Spain to try to determine what was holding us up. By the time we checked through customs with the car and trailer, it had begun to rain.

As we moved slowly up the Portuguese road, we could hardly see for the rain. A short distance ahead we saw Arthur Blessitt, drenched to the bone and struggling with the cross that was being blown by the wind.

It struck us at that moment that the way of the cross is one of struggle and sacrifice. There in the storm of a Portuguese road we saw a strong young man who was willing to give all he had to make the Christ of that cross known to the world. We looked up the road and it was still raining, but in our hearts we thought we saw a rainbow.

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Christ's witness was effective because He cared about the woman and was interested in her personally. A person has a right to resent feeling that he is but a checkmark on your visitation list or a possible feather in your spiritual cap. He is a child of God, lost though he may be.

You need to care for the spiritual sickness, loneliness and meaninglessness that destroys those who are not yielded to Christ. You need to be concerned for what sin does to people who do not have God's saving grace working in their lives to free them from sin.

The way we can keep showing the loving concern for others is to yield our attitude, behavior, talent, and inner feeling to the Lordship of Christ as is known to us by the Holy Spirit. In this way we can be sensitive to the needs of the people we want to win for Christ.

Callous indifference to hurtiness in humanity can bring famine as readily as absence of moisture. We have thought too long that we could seal our religious life off in a few pious phrases and incantations. Christianity at its proper level is a stirring of concern in the innermost part of the soul which will cause an individual to go the second mile and turn the other cheek. — Blake Westmoreland

## Off The Record

### I SMILED AT THIS

A catalog "do - it - yourself" firm received the following letter from one of its customers.

"I built a birdhouse according to your stupid plans, and not only is it much too big, it keeps blowing out of the tree. Signed, Unhappy."

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After an arduous session of the United States Supreme Court, the Justices once decided to take a three-day boat trip for relaxation.

On the second day out, the late Justice Cardozo, somewhat the worse for seasickness, was leaning over the rail of the boat, which was rocking badly, when Chief Justice Hughes came alone.

"Can I do anything for you?" inquired the Chief Justice.

"Yes," answered Justice Cardozo. "Over-rule the motion!"

### Bonus Treatment

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The Long and the Short of It  
The mechanic told the lady that he had found the trouble. It was a short circuit. "Well," she said, "go ahead and lengthen it."

### Pelahatchie - - -

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Mississippi Baptist churches.

Mr. Maddux has served on the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Pioneer Missions Committee, and numerous associational committees.

The members of Pelahatchie Church and community honored the Maddux family with three different receptions during their last week on the field, and presented them with many gifts.

The family's new address is 2324 6th Avenue South, Great Falls, Montana 59401 (church address: P. O. Box 382, Great Falls, Mont. 59403).

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### Fayette Church To Mark 60th Year

On November 11, Fayette Church, Jefferson County, will mark its 60th year of existence. The church was organized in November, 1913.

Rev. George Lee, a former pastor, will bring the worship service message at 11 a.m. Rev. Randy McHan, pastor, extends a special invitation to former pastors and members to attend.